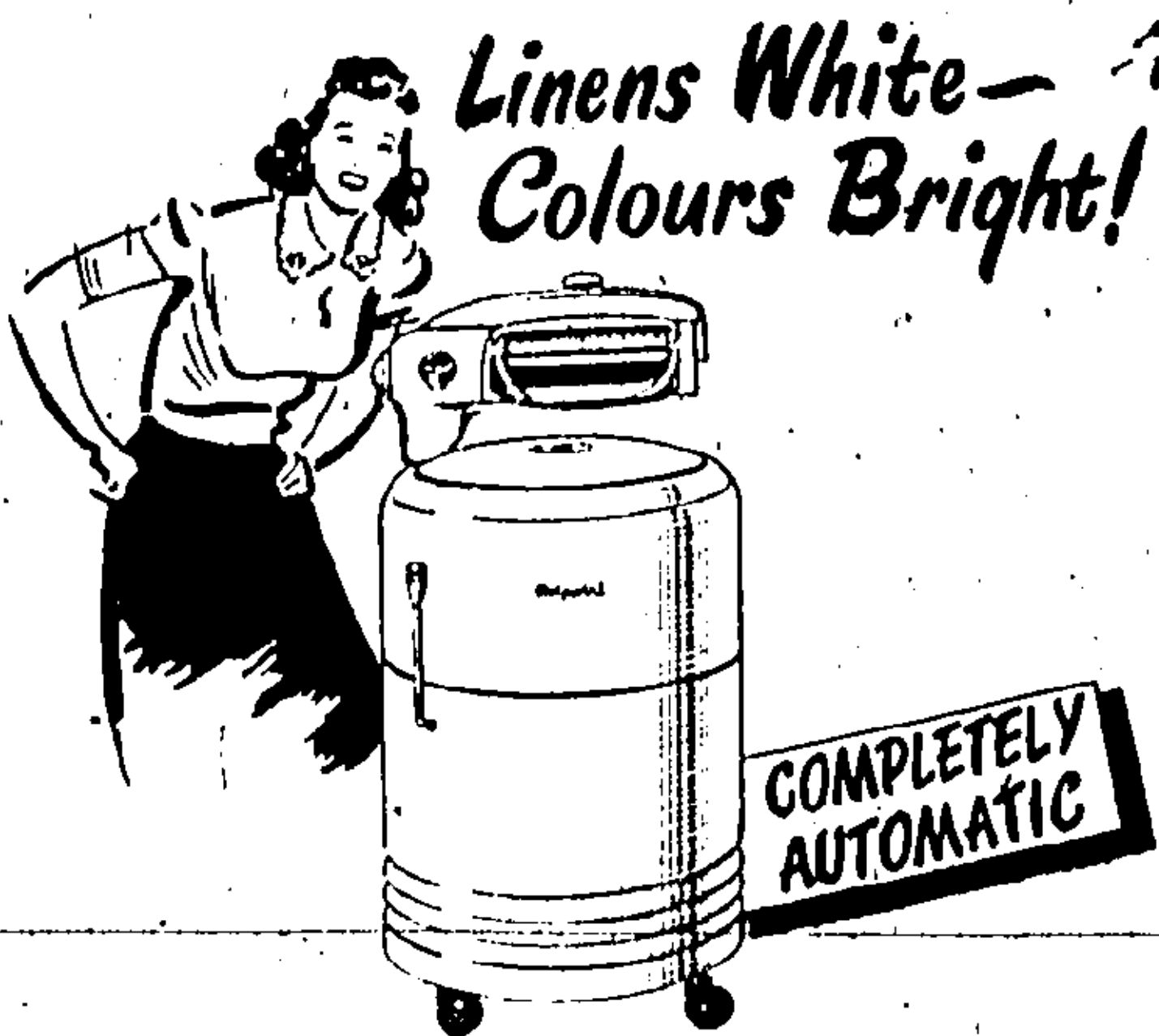




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THE MARCO POLO



Pictured above, with the attractive passenger on the starboard float is the new Stinson seaplane, the Marco Polo, which is owned by Mr. Vincent Wong and operated by the Far East Flying Training School. ("China Mail" photo)

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Saiwan Tragedy

Sir, Local papers recently related a tragic accident that occurred last Sunday morning at Saiwan, when a 15-year-old youth was a victim of drowning. When the boy was brought back to the beach, artificial respiration was applied and an ambulance called. The boy, however, died on the way to hospital.

Yours is a public-spirited paper, very alive to matters of moment, which precisely explains this letter. I appeal to the public to read between the lines of every report on drowning accidents. I myself have learned to do so from the lines I read of the selfless act of a Scoutmaster, a member of the Royal Life-Saving Society, who swam out and dragged this lad in from danger, thus saving the systematic life-saving treatment (Scholar's) given by the host of scouts on shore under the member of the Royal Life-Saving Society, and a fourth-year medical student who took turns administering vital artificial respiration of the proper assistance of the Scouts in facilitating venal circulation by special hand massage, preparing hot water and blankets in readiness for the recovery, and immediately notifying the police.

Unmentioned too were the facts that the public-serving members of the Police Force and Fire Brigade, whom we pay and trust, arrived when they did arrive, equipped with nothing but notebooks, pencils and their badges (the efficacious paraphernalia of officialdom); that the

boy was lugged in a stretcher up several hundred yards of hilly path to the ambulance on the main road.

"The boy however died on the way to hospital."

The medical view on this is, I believe, that as long as there remains a possibility of survival, even a "very little chance," artificial respiration should be administered without pause until the subject recovers consciousness. Doctors who disagree with this may well state their new opinions in some paper or journal. Victims of drowning have been known to be saved after long hours of continuous application of artificial respiration.

All Scouts present were aware of the disastrous consequences of any drastic suspension of artificial respiration, but had perforce to low before authority lest they be accused of obstruction and if the boy had not recovered, possibly of manslaughter. This is a sad reflection on our Police Force and Fire Brigade, and makes ridiculous and farcical that grand display the latter made of their prowess at their headquarters every day after the incident. But perhaps we should not heap too much blame and censure on our firemen and policemen; perhaps our firemen are trained only to save fires not lives, and our policemen to take statements which, I am pleased to know, they can perform with "one touch of reality."

I still cannot understand many things: Why were no qualified medical personnel (doctors or members of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade) sent down to the beach with the stretcher? Why, not to speak of medical equipment, were there insufficient stretcher-bearers so much so that the Scouts filled the gap? Why are all emergency cases regardless of locality taken only to Queen Mary Hospital and not to the nearest medical centre? Saiwan and Queen Mary Hospital are at two opposite ends of the Island, only 11 miles away as the crow flies. This coupled with the suspension of artificial respiration were in my opinion responsible for the falling of that pulse last Sunday.

This is what I read between the lines of that brief newspaper report. Such items are too frequently read with the same indifference that many readers may hold towards this open letter, with the safety of distance, and without the realization that this "tragic accident" might have happened to anybody, and if nothing is done to bring about a greater awareness on the part of the authorities, will continue to happen with the certainty and regularity which history can corroborate.

FOURTH YEAR MEDICAL STUDENT.

Editor's note: Mr. C. W. Brand, Acting Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, said that the unfortunate youth was taken aboard the Fire Brigade ambulance within five minutes of the arrival of the vehicle. Artificial respiration was applied throughout the journey from the Saiwan area to the Queen Mary Hospital. The youth's pulse was still beating when the ambulance reached the hospital. When the doctor examined the boy after he had been taken from the ambulance to the hospital ward, he was dead. Mr. Brand said that according to regulations all accident cases carried by Fire Brigade ambulances must be conveyed to the Queen Mary Hospital on the Island. At the same time he warned all bathers to avoid isolated beaches such as the Saiwan beach because of the inaccessibility of cars in the event of accidents.

La Salle College

We are still receiving correspondence on the subject of the La Salle regulations. It has been decided not to use the first but the second regulation. The regulations are as follows: "In the event of a fire, the school will be evacuated by the fire engine, and the school will be closed for a period of 24 hours."

New Stinson Seaplane

The latest addition to the Colony's commercial aviation is the arrival of a Stinson seaplane, the Marco Polo, which will be used for cargo and passenger transport, pleasure rides and even emergency rescue work if and when required.

Owned by Mr. Vincent Wong, the plane is being operated by the Far East Flying Training School. In operations, Mr. A. S. Halls is the chief pilot.

The plane is the first of two which the owner intends to service. Floats purchased from the United States have been fitted to the plane, which is now an amphibian.

The capacity of Marco Polo is two passengers besides the pilot. Mr. Halls told the "China Mail" that passengers for Macao will be taken in the plane which will soon be operating on schedule.

The Stinson is particularly useful for rescue work, ideally in conjunction with the Water Police in sea rescue emergency operations. Passenger seats can be removed to fit a stretcher comfortably.

The owner intends to put the planes to use by couples desiring a new way of picking up such as flying to the beach and back.

The plane is at the moment engaged in daily ferrying Hong Kong newspapers to Macao. It has a range of more than 400 miles.

Personalia

Among the passengers who arrived by the ms. Hal Lee were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Watson from Hongkong, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Duncan and Master Duncan from Singapore.

Among those who left the Colony yesterday for Singapore, Java and Macassar were Mr. and Mrs. H. A. L. Tjallingh, Miss J. L. Warning, Miss A. B. Warning, Miss H. R. Warning, Captain J. A. Adams, Mr. T. Rowan, Rev. Fr. Jose C. A. Gutierrez, Jose P. Silva Brum, P. P. Campos, Mother Esperanza Charuburnu, Sister Dolores H. Carren.

Mrs. M. G. Muskett and Miss J. N. Booth left for Kobe yesterday by the ss. Autolycus.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday included Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Van Heuven, Mrs. A. J. Chndwell, Squadron Leader and Mrs. J. L. Berry, Mrs. M. A. Affra, Messrs. J. A. Barthrop, F. M. D. Courtney, L. D. Murphy, H. J. D. Lowe and E. G. Munday.

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday were Messrs. Morris Feldman, Ben. S. Ohnick, M. Umedin, Tan Hoon-leong, and Lieutenant S. M. Pledgman.

Those who left by CPA for Bangkok, Singapore and Rangoon yesterday included James Y. Tong, Irving I. Aeferman, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. De Kanipow, R. W. Harris, Miss J. Woolf, Lam Cheng and Wong Kam Hui.

Among the passengers who arrived here by CPA from Macao yesterday were Robert Flanagan, Adela Concenoco, Maximo, Go, Courtney, L. D. Murphy, H. J. D. Lowe and E. G. Munday.

SEAMEN GAOLED FOR DISOBEYING ORDERS

Inchmark's Master Suspended For Year

The Marine Court of Inquiry into the loss of the ss. Inchmark yesterday suspended Mr. O. V. W. R. Basham's Certificate of Competency on Master for 12 months. The Court recommended that he be granted, for a similar period, a Certificate of Competency as First Mate.

Twenty-eight seamen of the ss. Hal Liang, owned by the Wah Hsueung Steamship Company, were each sentenced to seven days' imprisonment with hard labour by Mr. F. W. L. Skully, At the Marine Court on Thursday for not obeying their master's orders.

Arrested by the police on the request of Mr. Hal Sheng-keng, the vessel's master, on the same day together with 21 other crew members of the ship, defendants were charged with having refused to sail their vessel to Taipei harbour as ordered by the master on instructions from the vessel's owners.

Mr. Hui told the court that when he had received his instructions, defendants stormed into his cabin and demanded that he promise them that their salaries would not be cut 50 per cent as was previously decided by the ship's owners. They further demanded that the owners should pay them their salaries before the vessel was sailed to Taipei.

The 21 other crew members originally arrested on the same charge were found guilty by the court and were acquitted.

After the court ended, Mr. Yip Chuen-fong, representing the owners of the vessel told the acquitted crewmen that they were not permitted to return to their ship.

Second Dispute

Meanwhile, 38 seamen of the ss. Hal Liang, also owned by the same owners, who were ashore engaged in a wage dispute with the vessel's owners were also not permitted to return to their vessel.

As the ships are laid up in the Colony, the owners of the vessel decided to deduct 50 per cent of their crews' salaries. "To minimize their expenses."

Before the seamen were brought to court on the complaint of the master of the ss. Hal Liang, numerous negotiations were held between the seamen and the ship-owners. However, each meeting aggravated the feeling between the two opposing parties.

As the Seamen had no place to stay on Thursday night after being kept off their ships they were taken care of by the local Chinese Seamen's Association, which also offered their service to arbitrate between the ship-owners and the seamen.

Yesterday afternoon, at a press conference given by the Seamen's Association, the disputing seamen alleged that the possible settlement of the wage dispute was underway in the afternoon of July 21 but before negotiations could take place, three police launches were despatched to take the seamen from their ships.

At first we thought we were going to negotiate with our ship-owners again," Mr. Fong Ying-puk, spokesman of the seamen told the press, "however, later while we were travelling in the police launches, we discovered that we were under arrest."

Labour Office

The seamen also said that yesterday afternoon, seven representatives of the two vessels' crews led by Mr. Wong Ting-yu, master of ss. Hal Liang, went to the local Labour Office intending to put their problem before that office.

"What the Labour Office told us were that the ship-owners have the right of expelling their crews if the latter do not abide with the ship-owners' regulations," Mr. Foo, the seamen's representative said.

"Furthermore," he continued, "if any seamen disobey their master's orders, the Labour Office told us, they are liable to gaoled penalties."

Labour Office's plan in settling the wage dispute was that the ship-owners promised to give one month's extra pay to all their seamen provided the latter agreed to be repatriated to their native homes in Shanghai area via Chusan Archipelago.

"In fact," the seamen continued, "the owners were even prepared to send us to Canton by train tonight."

The Court also adjudged that Mr. Basham, Master of the Inchmark, was continuously negligent in his duties and responsibilities for the safe navigation of the ship from May 28 till the time the vessel was stranded in the early hours of the morning on May 29.

The Court declared that the cause of the stranding was a West South Westerly set for which the Master made no allowance in charting the vessel's course.

The Court found that the Second Mate, Mr. Joseph Tomaszewski, must be severely censured for serious contributory negligence.

The Court, presided over by Mr. Neill Garland, Director of the Marine Department, with Lieutenant-Commander J. B. P. Stirling, Captain J. W. Tinson, Captain I. J. Cairns and Captain N. Booth as members, found that all other officers of the Inchmark were free from blame and the abandonment of the vessel was on the instructions of the Underwriters and therefore outside the jurisdiction of the Court.

The Courts said:—

"The single screw vessel 'Inchmark' ex 'Empire Grebe' registered at Hong Kong, Official number 108,174 of 5,735.54 gross and 3,557.81 registered tons to the ownership of the Inchmark Steamship Company, Limited, of P. & O. Building, Hong Kong left Thursday Island on or about 13.48 hours on Wednesday, May 28, in continuation of a voyage from Sydney, Australia to Hong Kong via Tarakan, Oscar Vernon William Richard, Basham was the Master of the vessel. She carried no cargo and in her ballast voyage condition drew 9' 3" forward and 14' 6" aft."

"The vessel had on board a total crew of 38 European and Chinese. She held an International Load Line Certificate issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping valid until July 13, 1949 and a Safety Radio Telegraphy Certificate valid until June 21, 1949. She had four life-boats, two on either side of the vessel and had the regulation equipment for 42 persons. These were last inspected on February 5, 1949 at Newcastle, N.S.W. as were the Light and Sound Signals on February 3, 1949 and the vessel was in fact a well-found ship."

"From patent log readings (actual) the vessel steamed some 524 nautical miles between 0020 hours on May 28 (when the Carpentaria Light Vessel was passed abeam) and midnight on May 28, the last log course from Carpentaria Light Vessel to a point directly abeam of Forcadet Island, distant 28 miles, in the Tanimbar Islands is by chart distance approximately 577 miles. Photographs of Admiralty Charts Nos. 447 and 6426 are attached showing the Master's intended course as agreed in Court."

"The Aradura Sea being little known beyond the routes generally taken by vessels from Timor towards Torres Strait and between Port Darwin and Torres Strait, it is probable that sheals exist in addition to the well-known and in particular the Admiralty charts. As the position and even the existence of some of these are doubtful, a vigilant lookout should be kept with the view to removing these doubts, as well as for the safety of the vessel."

"The Court is surprised that neither the compass deviation book nor the tide and current book was produced for examination. Repeated questioning of both the Master and the 2nd Mate has failed to elicit any substantial reason why these important and relevant documents were not made available."

"In the Court's opinion the weather conditions prevailing at night continuously throughout this voyage and in particular during the early hours of the morning of the 29th, called for the most careful navigation. In the Court's judgment the Master failed to observe ordinary seamanlike prudence:—

"(a) In setting and maintaining a course to pass a minimum distance of 28 sea miles off Forcadet Island he failed to take into account a probable seasonal westerly set which the Sailing Directions and the Diagram of Ocean Currents published by the Hydrographic Department of the British Admiralty (Ocean Passages of the World) give a mariner good reason to expect during the month of May (April to September), and even possibly in December and January during the westerly monsoon."

"(b) In view of the weather and the lack of reliable observations from the time of passing 'Carpentaria' Light Vessel at 0020 hours on the 29th until the time of the stranding, the Master was most imprudent in omitting to take regular soundings, and in fact to take any soundings."

"(c) Although contrary to the Master's expressed view, the opinion of the Court is that the ordinary practice of seamen is to maintain a lookout on the forecastle 'head' whenever practicable and certainly at all times under the conditions prevailing on the Inchmark's passage from Thursday Island. The Court finds that the Master was in default in not conforming to this well established custom."

"(d) In reviewing all the relevant evidence the Court has given careful consideration to the following important matters:—

- (i) The long distance run at low speed.
- (ii) The lack of reliable sights.
- (iii) The absence of soundings.
- (iv) The probability of a westerly set.
- (v) The absence of visible navigational aids.
- (vi) The dark nights about the turn of the moon with its effect on spring tides.
- (vii) The general conditions of overcast with heavy rain squalls or drizzle with consequent occasional loss of visibility.
- (viii) These seas in which the Sailing Directions warn Mariners that navigation requires especial care, and is certain that the prudent Master would have issued definite verbal and written instructions to the officers of the watches. He would have re-emphasized in detail his Standing Orders early in the voyage before turning in at night, so that he could do so in the knowledge that he would be called when low visibility required precautionary measures as provided for in the 'Rule of the Road'.

"(e) Having reached a point where the log would indicate that the vessel was approaching the set distance from Forcadet Island, the prudent Master would have been on the bridge regardless of the weather; if clear, to identify a strange landfall (if visible) and to check his dead reckoning, and if thick, as the bounden duty of a Master in any circumstances or conditions."

"(f) At 0030 hours on the 29th, when visibility had closed to a range of 300-400 feet the Master should have been called to the bridge immediately action taken to comply with the Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, Articles 15 and 16 thereof."

"The Merchant Shipping Ordinance 1899 requires that where a British vessel has more than one Mate, the 1st and 2nd Mate shall be duly qualified. The 2nd Mate of the 'Inchmark' did not possess a British Certificate of Competency. The Court however accepts that this officer held an appropriate certificate from his own country for the position he held, is a man of considerable experience, and in the existing circumstances of the serious shortage of mercantile marine officers, it can take little exception to his employment in the acting capacity of 2nd Mate. The Court however from the evidence given, considers that this officer was guilty of serious negligence in that:—

- (i) He failed to observe the International Collision Regulations in the weather conditions at 0030 hours on May 29. (Articles 15 and 16).
- (ii) He failed to call the Master at or about 0030 hours on the 29th when visibility had closed down."
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ARMED ROBBERY

Four men armed with revolvers were reported to have entered an unnumbered hut near Lok Ma Chau, New Territories, yesterday evening, and to have decamped with about \$80.

Lok Ma Chau, a village near Shum Chun, was the scene of a gun-battle between police and armed smugglers on Saturday, during which the robbers managed to escape under cover of darkness.

Deaths From Tuberculosis

Sixty-five deaths from tuberculosis during the week ended July 18, brought the total deaths from the disease for the year to 1,575.

The Weekly Health Return showed that deaths from all causes in the period under review totalled 1,777, or an average of 17.77 deaths per day.

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SIR M.K. LO'S MOTION SUPPORTED BY KRA

Loseby Denies Resigning As Reform Club Head

Reports circulating in the city yesterday said that Mr. Charles Loseby had resigned his position as Chairman of the Reform Club of Hong Kong.

Mr. Loseby, when contacted by the "China Mail," denied the reports. He said he is still Chairman of the Reform Club.

Mr. Brook Bernacchi, who was reported to have been elected Chairman in place of Mr. Loseby, told the "China Mail" that he is still Vice-Chairman of the Reform Club.

According to the unconfirmed reports, Mr. Loseby resigned at a Committee meeting on Thursday night.

New RAF Station Commander

Group Captain John Worrall, DFC, has assumed command of RAF Station, Kai Tak, in succession to Group Captain J. N. Jefferson who is returning to England on completion of his tour of duty in the Far East.

Group Captain Worrall, until recently commanding officer and sector commander at West Malling, Kent, was born in Bombay in 1911 and was educated at Cranleigh School in Surrey. Later he was a cadet at the Royal Air Force College at Cranwell. He was commissioned in 1931.

He served with No. 208 Squadron in the Middle East from 1933 to 1936 and, on his return to England, took a language course in Chinese at the School of Oriental Studies in London University. He continued his studies in China until August 1939 when he was posted to Biggin Hill, where he carried out operations from duties until April, 1940.

From May to August 1940, he commanded No. 35 Squadron, taking part with distinction in the Battle of Britain, during which he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

After commanding RAF Station, Doncaster, he carried out Air Staff training duties at Headquarters, 122 Group and, in December 1941, went to Air Headquarters Iraq on ground defence duties.

In 1943, he commanded in turn 261 Wing, 283 Wing Ferry Control and 249 Wing in the Middle East. In 1944 he was Senior Staff Officer in Middle East Command. He returned to England at the end of 1944 and, after a six-month course at the Royal Air Force Staff College, he became Senior Personnel Staff Officer at Transport Command, a position he held until his appointment to the command of West Malling in 1948.

SERVICES SPOTLIGHT

There will be the first broadcast concert from the China Fleet Club in the new series, "Services Spotlight," at 9.30 p.m. today.

In the "Spotlight" tonight will be the band of the Royal Leicestershire Regiment under the able baton of Mr. Purcell. All ranks are welcome and are requested to be seated by 9.30 p.m.

Work Of Springfield Orphanage To Be Told

Living illustrations—some children of the Springfield Orphanage at Fatsan—will be present at a special morning service at the English Methodist Church on Sunday at 11 a.m.

The speaker at the service will be Miss Agnes Chan, matron of the Orphanage who arrived here during the week with some of the orphans under her care.

The Springfield Orphanage came into being during the grim days of the early Japanese occupation of South China, when poverty and famine became widespread.

It was an effort on the part of the Methodist Missionaries in South China to cope with the problem of the babies abandoned in the vicinity of the Mission Compound at that time.

A decision was taken to start an orphanage, the missionaries making themselves responsible for its maintenance. Miss Chan, a highly trained member of the nursing profession, volunteered to take full charge and serve as matron.

She has done noble work at "Springfield" and is affectionately devoted to the children.

In a letter to the Governor on Thursday, the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association confirmed its support, in principle, of Sir Man-kam Lo's recent motion on a modified Legislative Council.

The Committee, according to the document, which is to be forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies should the Governor think fit, is convinced that Sir Man-kam Lo's motion offers a realistic approach to solution of the problem of securing continuance of sound and reliable Government of the Colony.

Signed by Mr. C. E. Terry, President of the Association, the letter said that the Committee had considered the published views of other bodies.

In the Committee's opinion, immediate extension of representation on the Legislative Council and the subsequent enlargement of the existing Urban Council to embrace the duties and responsibilities envisaged for the proposed Municipal Council is the logical sequence of reform and, in fact, offer a far greater measure of participation by residents in the Government of the Colony than that provided in what is known as "The Young Plan" for a Municipal Council.

The Committee has no objection to the initially reconstituted Legislative Council being considered an interim one, but in order that its operation may be fairly judged and any necessary further reform properly assessed, it is suggested that the period of the initial reconstitution should be two or three years.

The Committee considers that the Lo proposals provide the most balanced form of governing body, as it ensures representation of all sections of the community.

The proposition that Members of the Legislature of a British Colony should be other than British subjects is rejected by the Committee.

On the question of electorate, the Committee's letter said that it is a question that all British subjects should be entitled to vote for the elected representatives on the Legislative Council.

But in the circumstances prevailing in Hong Kong, it is accepted that a widening of this limited franchise may be desirable.

It is, however, essential, adds the Committee's letter, in the interests of the bona fide residents of Hong Kong, that the ultimate power of Government of the Colony should not pass into the hands of those whose interests are primarily outside of the Colony.

Those who have sought the protection of the stable administration of this British Colony must subscribe to the continuance of the essentially British Government of the Colony, it added.

The proposal for creation of "Hong Kong Citizenship" mooted by the Reform Club of Hong Kong is considered sound in principle, but the Committee deprecates most strongly the holding out of inducements for such Citizenship, as envisaged in the Petition submitted to the Governor by that Club. Qualifications for such Citizenship should, in the Committee's opinion, be stringent, and entail at least 10 years' residence in the Colony.

Jury List
Before the war the qualification for inclusion in the list of electors to the Urban Council was inclusion in the Jury List, or those exempted therefrom.

This is considered a sound basis, as the acceptance of civic responsibility by Jury Service merits recognition by inclusion in the Franchise.

It is appreciated, however, that this would limit the franchise to English speaking

citizens and bar many responsible Chinese citizens long-standing.

It is therefore suggested that the electorate for the Municipal Council be composed of—
(a) British Subjects,
(b) those on the Jury Lists,
(c) Residents of five years' standing,
(d) Registered owners of Rateable properties of an appropriate assessment value,
(e) Members of the Auxiliary Defence Organisations.

The main concern of the members of the General Committee is the well-being of the people of Hong Kong in general, with which, on a matter such as this, now under discussion, the well-being of the people of the Peninsula of Kowloon is intimately bound up.

They are convinced, said the letter, that the majority of responsible and genuine Hong Kong Residents deplore any suggestion that the ultimate powers of Government of this Colony should pass into hands other than those of the British Government and the appointed representatives of these life and role interests inherent in the sound administration of the Colony.

ECA's Function IN China

The Economic Co-operation Administration's function is solely to aid China in improving her economic status and is not a relief association. Mr. John C. Kassebaum explained to the "China Mail" yesterday.

As far as the local office of the ECA is concerned, we have received no instructions from our office in Canton to extend relief to the flooded areas in Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces," Mr. Kassebaum, the local director of the ECA, said.

If ECA is requested to aid the flood areas, the Chinese authorities at Canton will contact the ECA office there.

However, the director pointed out, if ECA is requested to help in relief funds will be made available by the Chinese to the U. S. aid which is a connection of the ECA and connections must be made in Canton instead of in the Colony.

Mr. Kassebaum thinks that the recent flood in South China is one of the worst in many years.

Local Boy Wins His Degree At Calcutta Univ.

New has just been received that Dajindar Singh Gill, a former medical student at the Hong Kong University, who received his earlier education at St. Joseph's College, has graduated from the Calcutta University with an M. D. Degree (With Honours) in Surgery and Pathology.

Dr. Gill left Hong Kong in September 1946 and joined the Calcutta University as 4th Year Student. He is understood, proceeding to England in December next for post-graduate studies.

Mr. K. S. Gill, a brother of Dr. Gill, who was also a student at St. Joseph's College, is at present in the Colony on vacation. Mr. Gill is a Final Year Law Student at the Calcutta University and hopes to proceed to London in December 1950, to continue his studies at Gray's Inn and to sit for his L. B. degree.

Before he left the Colony to enter the Calcutta University, Mr. Gill took a prominent part in local hockey and was selected for representative games.

SHOW IN AID OF ANTI-T.B. ASSN.

The Chinese YMCA is putting up a stage show at the Association hall, Bridges Street, tonight and tomorrow night, at 8 p.m. in aid of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

In addition to the stage show, there will be music and songs, and exhibition dancing in which more than 50 amateur artists including members of the YMCA Dramatic Group, will be taking part.

Admission charges are \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.00, and all proceeds will be donated to the Anti-Tuberculosis Fund.

ST. JOHN'S CENTENARY

A special service to mark the Centenary Year of St. John's Cathedral will be held on July 31, at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral. There will be an organ recital from 10.30 a.m. to 10.55 a.m.

Silk Mill Strikers



Some 150 workers of the Mayer Silk Mills (Hong Kong) Limited, marched from Tsun Wan, New Territories, to Bonham Strand, Hong Kong, yesterday to "beg for goods" from the management. Here they are seen queuing in front of the Mayer Silk Mills' town office. When they reached the office, the management immediately closed the premises and refused to negotiate. The workers went on strike in May following dismissal of some of their colleagues. When they refused to return to work, the management stopped their food ration.—Francis Wu Photo.

Appeal Allowed In Profits Tax Case

The first appeal of its kind ever raised by the Crown in a dispute over the finding of a Board in connection with inland revenue, was allowed by Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, at the Appeal Court yesterday.

In overruling the finding that HK\$38,991.87 pertaining to Jensen and Company, of 12 Pedder Street, was not assessable to Profits Tax, the Court ruled that the Board had not come to a correct determination of the law in its decision.

The board in question—which comprised five members, with Mr. D. J. Gilmore as Chairman—had been of the opinion that the 38,991.87, was derived from an appreciation in the value of American dollar balances of the company held in the United States. The board also held that such dollars were applied and that the said appreciation had attached to the dollars before January 1, 1947.

The Crown—which was represented at the hearing of the case two weeks ago by Mr. A. Hooton, was yesterday represented by Mr. G. B. Strickland, Solicitor General. He was assisted by Mr. C. W. Norris, acting Assistant Commissioner of Inland Revenue. Mr. John McNeill, instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs. Deacons, was for Jensen and Company.

Giving his judgment, Mr. Williams stated in part: "This is an appeal by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue from a decision of the Board of Review. The respondents had appealed to the Board under Section 67 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance No. 20 of 1947 against an assessment to profits tax on the sum of \$38,991.87 for the year 1946/47 made by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue."

"The Board were of the opinion that this sum as derived from an appreciation of the value of U. S. dollar balances and not a profit arising from the sale of the goods in purchase of which such dollars were applied, and that the appreciation had attached to the dollars before January 1, 1947."

"The Board therefore held that the sum in question was not assessable to Profits Tax. They allowed the appeal and annulled the assessment. Hence the appeal to this Court under Section 70 of the Ordinance."

Different Partners
Mr. Williams went on to say that in the argument before the Board it was contended on behalf of the present respondents that the Crown had failed to take account of the change in the constitution of the respondent firm, whereby the present partners differ from the partners at the time the U. S. currency was acquired, and that the new partners were entitled to re-value the assets at a fair value before commencing trading.

"There is no finding of act of such a change in the case stated," the Puisne Judge continued. "It would appear therefore that their decision as recorded in paragraph 9 of the case stated did not depend upon the point as to whether there was in fact such a change."

"If it were, then I would expect to have the changes in partners set out in the fact continued in paragraph 4. At the hearing before me Counsel for the appellants enumerated the changes in the firm during the ten years. I must however base my decision on the facts as found in the case stated."

"The sum of \$38,991.87, the subject matter of the dispute, has been found in the case stated to arise in this way. The respondents had U. S. currency deposited in New York in 1941. This was frozen by the United States Government following the German occupation of Denmark, and remained so until 1947."

"During that year the United States Government allowed respondents to utilize these funds in payment of merchandise purchased in America for shipment to Hong Kong."

"The appellants contended that this sum, being a profit arising from trade in the Colony, was taxable for profits under Section 16(1) of the Ordinance. The profit arose from the Colony because the sum was part of the profits on the sale of goods bought in the United States with U. S. dollars and the goods were sold here under contracts of sale made here."

Counsel for the appellants contended that the annual profits against which tax was chargeable were not the re-sale of a particular transaction, but the difference between the position at the beginning of the financial year and the end of that year.

"He submitted that the true position here was that the respondents, after the interval of the war, re-commenced business having certain U. S. currency as assets on which they placed a value. They were entitled to place on these assets their market value. The fact they had credited a special Exchange

Reminders

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Social Evening at Headquarters Land Forces, Sargeants Mess, Queen's Road, East 8.30 p.m.
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Coming Events
TOMORROW
HK Art Club, Sketching Party, members to assemble at Vehicular Ferry wharf (Hong Kong side) 2.15 p.m. (further information from Mr. Nobbels, Tel: 30709)
Classical Concert, The H-Club Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.
Beach picnic, Silverstrand Beach, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m.

MONDAY
Whist Drive, European YMCA (for civilians and Servicemen), 8 p.m.
TUESDAY
HK Rotary Club, Luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive (for civilians and Servicemen) European YMCA, 8 p.m.

EQUALISATION ACCOUNT
With a sum in HK dollars did not affect the legal position clearly the respondents were entitled to make out their accounts in the form they preferred.

Mr. Williams went on to recall that the Counsel for the respondents further submitted that the transaction was only a readjustment of the business position, resulting in no profit or loss, keeping entry, and that the accounts could be recast entirely, if required, by putting the full value of the dollars in as one item.

"Counsel for the respondents, as given one definition of 'profit', I do not disagree with him on that point. There are many definitions and explanations of the word 'profit' to be found in Income Tax cases."

Another Form
"When he contends however, that the respondents in opening the Exchange Equalisation Account were merely making up their accounts in another form which they could adopt if they so wished, I am not prepared to agree."

"The whole transaction must be looked at in order to ascertain whether the sum is taxable for profits. Respondent at the beginning of 1947 had these U. S. dollars—they had them there for the purposes of trade. They purchased goods in America with them. They did not have to obtain the U. S. currency in the free market—that is, I think, most important."

"I consider it is not material that the respondents were under obligation at some indefinite time to repay the U. S. dollars in that currency. Being invested in the firm, the dollars were clearly intended for use in trading purposes. The Board in their decision, make comment on this obligation. It would appear it did not influence them in coming to their conclusion."

"The appreciation, insofar as assessment to profits tax with which we are concerned, occurred only when the actual transactions were completed in Hong Kong."

"I agree with the arguments submitted by Counsel for the appellants that this sum in question, being business profits derived from the Colony, from the trade carried on, is chargeable for profits tax under Section 16(1) of the Ordinance."

"It follows, therefore, that in my opinion the Board has not come to a correct determination of the law in deciding that the sum is not assessable to profits tax. I accordingly allow the appeal."

The Court also made an order for \$50 to be returned to the Crown—paid to the Board in respect of the original hearing.

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B. MELLOR, Registrar.

July 21, 1949.

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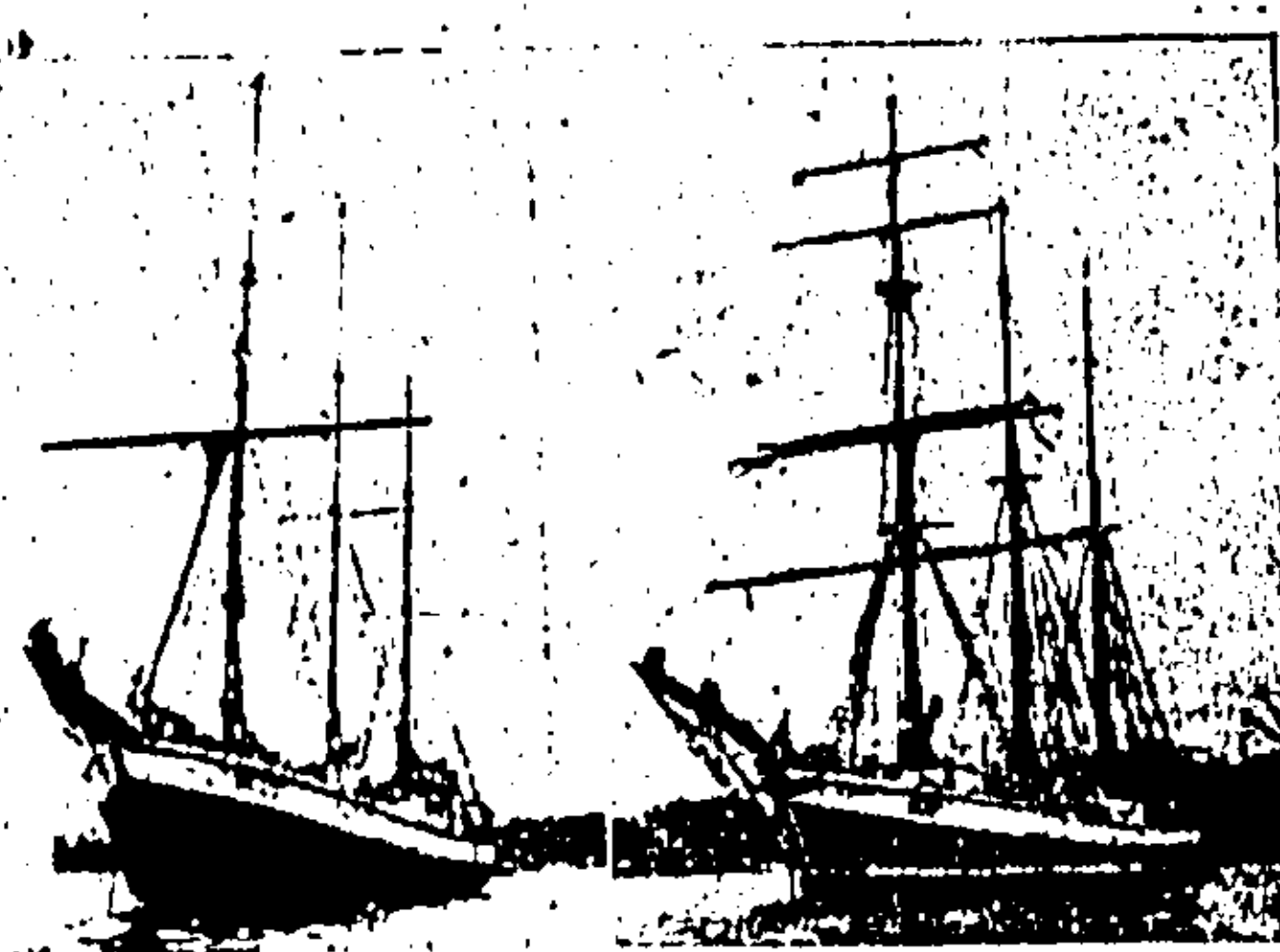
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Soviet Schooners Here



Two handsome schooners flying the Soviet flag entered the harbour yesterday morning. Their names are Neptunia (left, above) and Horizont (right) and they are, according to the master of the Neptunia, sister ships.

The captain of the Neptunia told the "China Mail" that they had come from Singapore and are awaiting a cargo of Manila rope for Vladivostok.

The thickest captain who said that he was in Shanghai in 1933, refused to reveal his name or that of the master of the other sister ship.

Both are anchored at Yau-mat.

Appeal Against Rescinding Of Ejection Order

An appeal against the rescinding of an order by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistrate's Court on March 23 and April 1 this year, took place before a Full Court of Appeal yesterday comprising Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, and Mr. Justice Scholes, acting Puisne Judge.

The order in question had originally been for the ejection of the principal tenant and 11 other occupants of 35 Battery Street, second floor, as a result of a woman Sze Toin having been convicted at Kowloon on November 10, 1948, for keeping a brothel at the premises in question.

A notification was sent to the landlord of the house, the present appellant, who later applied through her solicitor, Mr. P. C. Woo, for an order ejecting the principal tenant and other occupants of the flat.

Through an application by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, the respondent and the other occupants, managed to have the order rescinded.

The appellant, Mui Yau-leung of Rm. 404 National Bank Building subsequently applied for a case stated in order to bring the case before the Full Court.

Mr. B. A. Bernacchi instructed by Mr. P. C. Woo was for the appellant. The respondents were not represented, and conducted their own case.

Questions Involved

The questions of law involved in the appeal were:—

(a) Whether, if the necessary conditions are satisfied (namely, that a conviction under Section 12 of Ordinance 5 of 1938 has been recorded and the owner or tenant of the premises has been notified of the conviction in pursuance of a Magistrate's order) a duty is cast upon the Magistrate, exercising the power given to him under Section 14 of the Ordinance, with the result that the word "may" in that section means "must".

(b) Whether the Magistrate was wrong in law in holding that the previous Magistrate's order "notification to landlord" was ambiguous, and wrong in holding

UNREGISTERED DOCTOR

A woman, Wong Yuet-man was charged at Central yesterday with being an unregistered doctor and with practising medicine at Lee Yuen Street, first floor.

Defendant was represented by Mr. J. Stewart and the case was adjourned to July 27 at 12 noon.

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"Would you check your window sill and see if anything is missing?"

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LIKE ROADS ON A MAP

SELECTING the course to pursue, in the effort to fulfill your contract, is often similar to the process of picking your route on a road map. In either case, you know where you are starting, and what is your destination. Until you examine the alternative ways to get there, and consider the relative advantages and disadvantages of the various itineraries, you are not able to make a sound choice. In doing that, you must in bridge count the number of tricks which may be possible by one means and the other, as well as the probabilities of being obstructed at some important stage.

SAQ 10
6 4 3
H 8
DA J 4
C 10 7 6

SK 7 2
HK J 5 3 2
D 6 2
C Q 6 3

SA 9 7 6
DK 10 7
5 3
CA 4 2

S J 9 5
H Q 10 4
D Q 9 8
C K J 8 8

(Dealer: West. North-South vulnerable.)

West Pass 2-D Pass
1 S Pass 3-D Pass
4 D Pass 5 D

Two declarers in that contract chose utterly different roads to attain their end. The one who failed to reach his goal started play as soon as he won the opening lead, he could cross a river, he trumped the heart 6 with

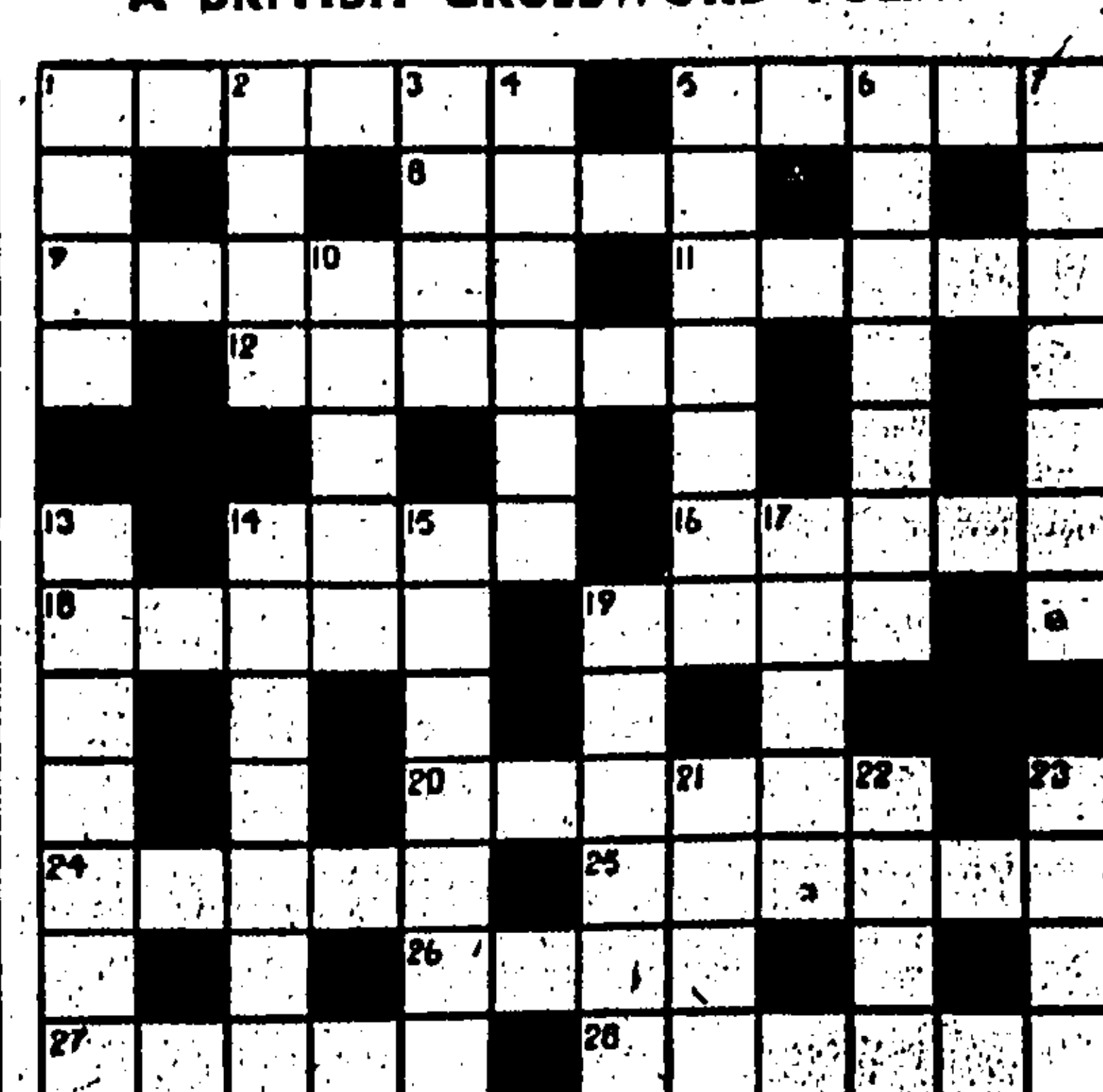
the diamond 4, scored the spade 3, the heart 7 with the diamond J, the spade 4 with the diamond 5, the heart 9 with the diamond A, and the spade 6 with the diamond K. That made eight tricks. The club A made the ninth, but he lost the last four, the club 2 to the J and Q, the diamond 2 to the 10 and Q, the diamond 9 and the club K. He was therefore down two.

The other declarer went through the mental process of playing the hand that way, seeing that it would give him only three tricks with his side aces, three with ruffs of hearts and three with ruffs of spades, a total of only nine. So, before playing a card, he measured the alternative—setting up spades for discards. He saw that here he had some hope, that if the outstanding spades were evenly divided and the diamond K with South, he might discard three losers on the long suit. So on the second trick he led to the spade A, ruffed the spade 3, finessed the diamond J, ruffed the spade 4, scored the diamond K, led to the diamond A and on the last three spades discarded hearts. He led to the club A for his eleventh trick, then, gladly gave up two club tricks at the end.

Your Week-End Question

What problems is a player likely to find himself facing if he has pushed up a hand on which he sees later he should have made an opening bid?

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14 Bore. 27 Urged.

16 Doctrine. 28 Let.

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Down

1 Victim. 10 Deserve.

2 Fruit. 13 Great.

3 Artist. 14 Ready.

4 Tell. 15 Decided.

5 Flatter. 17 Mistake.

6 Regular. 18 Place.

7 Exhaust. 21 Peel.

8 Regular. 22 Ranks.

9 Exhaust. 23 Grew old.

DOWN: 1 Minor. 2 Grid. 3 Clear. 5 Job. 6 Canton. 7 Dunes. 9 Dresser. 11 Bridge. 12 Rattle. 15 Evil. 16 Effort. 18 Bump. 20 Doves. 21 Foster. 24 Mist. 25 Mitre. 26 Sedge. 28 Area.

MEETING OF MIDDLE EAST ENVOYS ON POLICY REVIEW OPENS

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary, today opened the conference of British diplomats and representatives in the Middle East who are reviewing British policy in the light of political and economic developments in that area.

London, July 21.

The conference will last till Tuesday. The presence at today's meeting of Field-Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and other Service chiefs suggested to London observers that one of the earliest subjects for discussion would be the Middle East's strategic position on Commonwealth lines of communication, and its vital role between Eastern Communism and Western Democracy.

Spitfires Active In Greece

Athens, July 21. A UNSCOP (United Nations Special Commission on the Balkans) observation team reported today that Greek Spitfires and artillery fired into Yugoslavia three days before Marshal Tito announced the border was being closed. A Yugoslav frontier post in the Kalimakchalan Mountains returned the fire. Reports said 70 rounds of artillery fired by the Greek Army fell 500 to 1,000 metres inside Yugoslavia. Two rockets and several 30 mm. shells from two Spitfires fell 100 metres North of the Greek frontier, the observers reported. It was disclosed that a senior Yugoslav officer and two officers told the UNSCOP team that the border had been closed emphasizing that it was closed to the guerrillas. The incident occurred on July 7, the day on which the Greek Army drove the guerrillas out of Kalimakchalan. There have been Communist reports that Greek troops used Yugoslav territory successfully to complete the Kalimakchalan operation, but this was denied by the Greek General Staff. Associated Press.

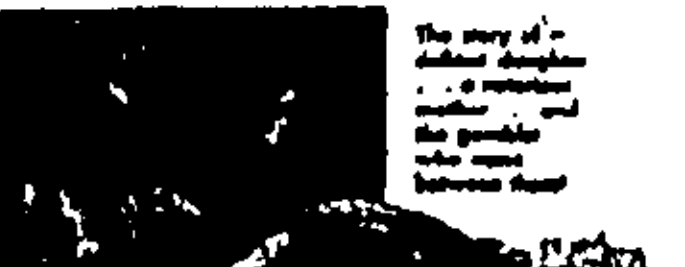
AOA FLIGHTS HELD UP BY STRIKE

New York, July 21. Three transatlantic flights by American Overseas Airlines were held up today by a strike of the company's wireless operators. It was understood here that West-bound flights from Europe also were being held up because wireless operators had refused to board AOA aircraft. A company official said that all other air crew members were working normally. Sixty-eight wireless operators are affected. The reason for the strike is a disagreement over terms for termination of contracts. Associated Press.

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Moose, Danger To Aircraft, Must Be Shot

London, July 21. The authorities at Stockholm Airport have decided that a moose, which has taken to wandering along the runways, is a danger to aircraft and must be shot. Stockholm Radio reported today. Until yesterday, the Airport staff confined themselves to chasing him off, but his visits had become more frequent, and the authorities have decided a full-scale moose hunt. Hunters and beaters went after him, but the quarry got away. He is to be shot as soon as he reappears. Reuter.

Wants 20 Years For Nazi Envoy

Paris, July 21. The Prosecution today demanded a sentence of 20 years' hard labour for Otto Abetz, former Nazi Ambassador, to France calling him both a looter and a policeman—a Nazi policeman.

Abetz faces war crimes charges, for which the maximum penalty is death, including complicity in murder, mass deportation, torture and looting.

The still handsome Abetz sat in a corner of the Court listening attentively without sign of emotion, except for an occasional blink, as Captain Paul Flicoteaux wound up the Prosecution's case before the Military Tribunal.

Speaking in a high, emotional voice, M. Flicoteaux said he had an unquenchable thirst for a burden of responsibility in deciding what punishment to ask for "this adventurer who went in for politics."

"I must be firm—I owe it to justice," he said, but taking into account all the evidence and the fact that Abetz was a German, he would ask for 20 years' hard labour.

Captain Flicoteaux said that Abetz was a man responsible to Berlin for the political situation in France, and was clearly responsible for the looting of Jewish property, mass deportation of Jews and French workers, the arrest of hostages and the proposals to shoot the former French Cabinet Ministers, M. G. Mandel, M. Leon Blum, and M. Paul Reynaud.

"He knew all that was going on and approved it," Captain Flicoteaux said.

In his closing speech for the defence, Maître Reno Floriot alleged a selection of the telegrams between the German Embassy and Ribbentrop (former

World To Produce More Meat This Year, Report Says

Washington, July 21.

The world can expect more meat this year, the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations reported today. The mild winter in Europe meant a great saving in livestock feed, the report showed, and feed supplies there are now more plentiful than at any time since the war. Major increases in meat production are expected in Europe, the report said, and if all goes well, 1952 to 1953 will see production there near the pre-war level.

World meat production was slightly down last year on 1947. The report continued, and the volume of shipments from the eight major meat exporters was 16 per cent below that of 1947. The eight were: Argentina, New Zealand, Australia, Uruguay, the United States, Denmark and Brazil.

The effect was felt more in the United Kingdom, by far the heaviest importer of meat.

Europe's production was still only 62 per cent of the pre-war level, the report indicated, but production in North America was 135 per cent of pre-war.

No UK Contracts

The United States was the only major meat exporter which did not have contracts with the United Kingdom. FAO officials pointed out. During the year the U.S. reverted to its pre-war status as a net importer of meat.

The decline in meat exports was greatest in Argentina and the United States, the report says.

World production last year was considerably less than the 1934 to 1938 average.

The world price for meat does not exist, FAO officials said. A large proportion of the meat trade is conducted through bilateral trade contracts at negotiated prices.

In 1949 to 1949 the United Kingdom had contracts with all the major meat exporting countries except the United States.

Most of the meat shipped by the exporting countries was covered by contracts with various importers. Associated Press.

German Foreign Minister had been made in the case to be unfavourable to Abetz.

The missing documents, he said, reflected Abetz's typical tactics—appearing to agree with extreme proposals, then watering them down or getting rid of them altogether.

Abetz had always striven to minimise the damage the Nazi extremists were trying to do in France, Maître Floriot said.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow when Maître Floriot will continue his speech for the defence. Reuter.

Ex-King's Warning To America

Rome, July 21.

Ex-King Peter of Yugoslavia today warned the United States to beware of a double cross by Marshal Tito in his new dealings with the West.

He said in an interview he was quite certain that Marshal Tito's Communist government has approached the West for economic aid but only because it feels the pinch of the Communist economic blockade.

Ex-King Peter expressed the opinion that there is no immediate prospect of internal revolt in Yugoslavia, adding that Marshal Tito can now be tempted only by Russia and its satellites.

"Soviet Russia wants to get rid of Marshal Tito; wants it in the worst way," he said. "The only thing holding it back is the fear that open conflict in Yugoslavia would touch off a full-scale world war which Russia does not want right now."

The former monarch, almost as boyish looking as eight years ago when he ruled his country, was interviewed exclusively by the Associated Press.

He arrived here this morning in incognito, and registered in a Rome hotel under an assumed name. Police were informed, however, and placed plain clothesmen about the hotel entrance. Associated Press.

BORDER TROOPS REINFORCED

Athens, July 21.

Yugoslavia is reinforcing its troops along the Greek, Albanian and Bulgarian frontiers, a Greek source said tonight.

On the Greek frontier, the source said, troops have been sent to Monastir and still other to Skopje, a railway point on the line to Athens. Reuter.

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"GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROADWAY," the new Twentieth Century-Fox Technicolor musical opening today at the Broadway Theatre, brings to the screen the warm, nostalgic and lively story of a grand (some called them "zany") family of troupers. Starring Dan Dailey, who scored a sensation in "Mother Were Tights," the unusual story with music features an outstanding supporting cast headed by Charles Winninger, Nancy Guild, Charlie Ruggles and Fay Bainter. The picture, garnished with singing and dancing (and fancy juggling thrown in for a good measure), blends a poignant drama and high-hearted humor with unusual romance as it unfolds its saga of a family that carried Broadway with it wherever it went. "Give My Regards To Broadway" is the story of "Albert The Great & Family" who persisted in living — and hoping — in the golden era of vaudeville, although vaudeville was dead, and movies obviously here to stay. There's Dad (Charles Winninger), "Albert The Great" himself, who can't

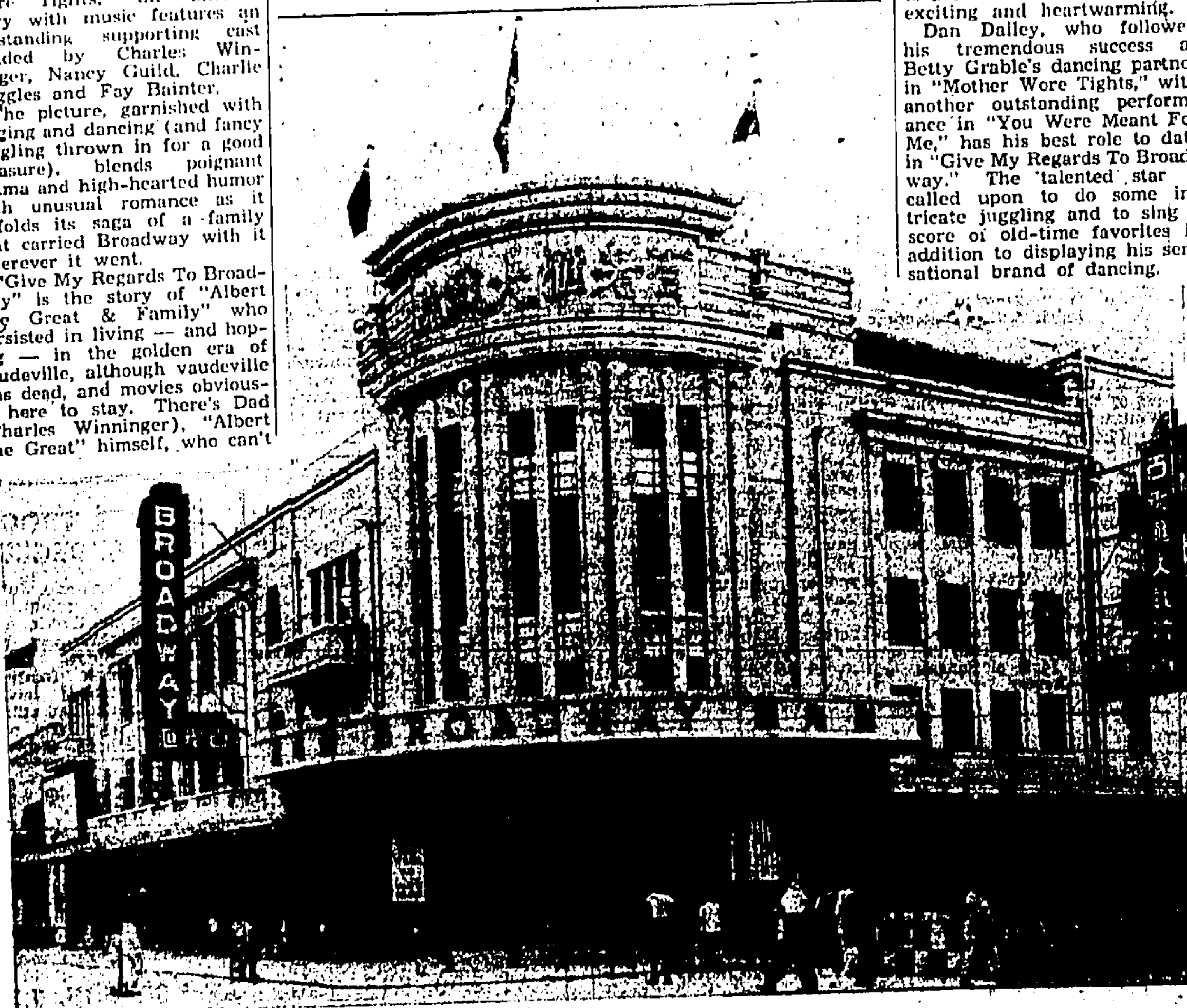
forget the "big time," and is waiting for its certain return. There's Mom (Fay Bainter), who seems almost as happy in calico as she was in tights. There are the lovely daughters (Barbara Lawrence and Jane Night) who let love break up the act. And there's Bert (Dan Dailey) who is the act, but who wins stardom in another way.

The story starts when the final curtain falls on vaudeville in 1928. Although he accepts a job in an industrial plant — "between engagements" — Dad keeps rehearsings and improving the family act for the day when they return to Broadway, where they belong. The girls are impatient, and are ready to sacrifice the roar of public acclaim in the fuzzy

future for wedding bells here and now. But Bert — he's Dad's pride, joy and last hope; talented from his toes to his fingertips and sure "headliner" — is not interested in romance, or anything else except the stage.

Cupid, however, finds his mark on Bert. How it happens and what happens when it does happen, is said to lead to a climax as unusual as it is exciting and heartwarming.

Dan Dailey, who followed his tremendous success as Betty Grable's dancing partner in "Mother Were Tights," with another outstanding performance in "You Were Meant For Me," has his best role to date in "Give My Regards To Broadway." The talented star is called upon to do some intricate juggling and to sing a score of old-time favorites in addition to displaying his sensational brand of dancing.

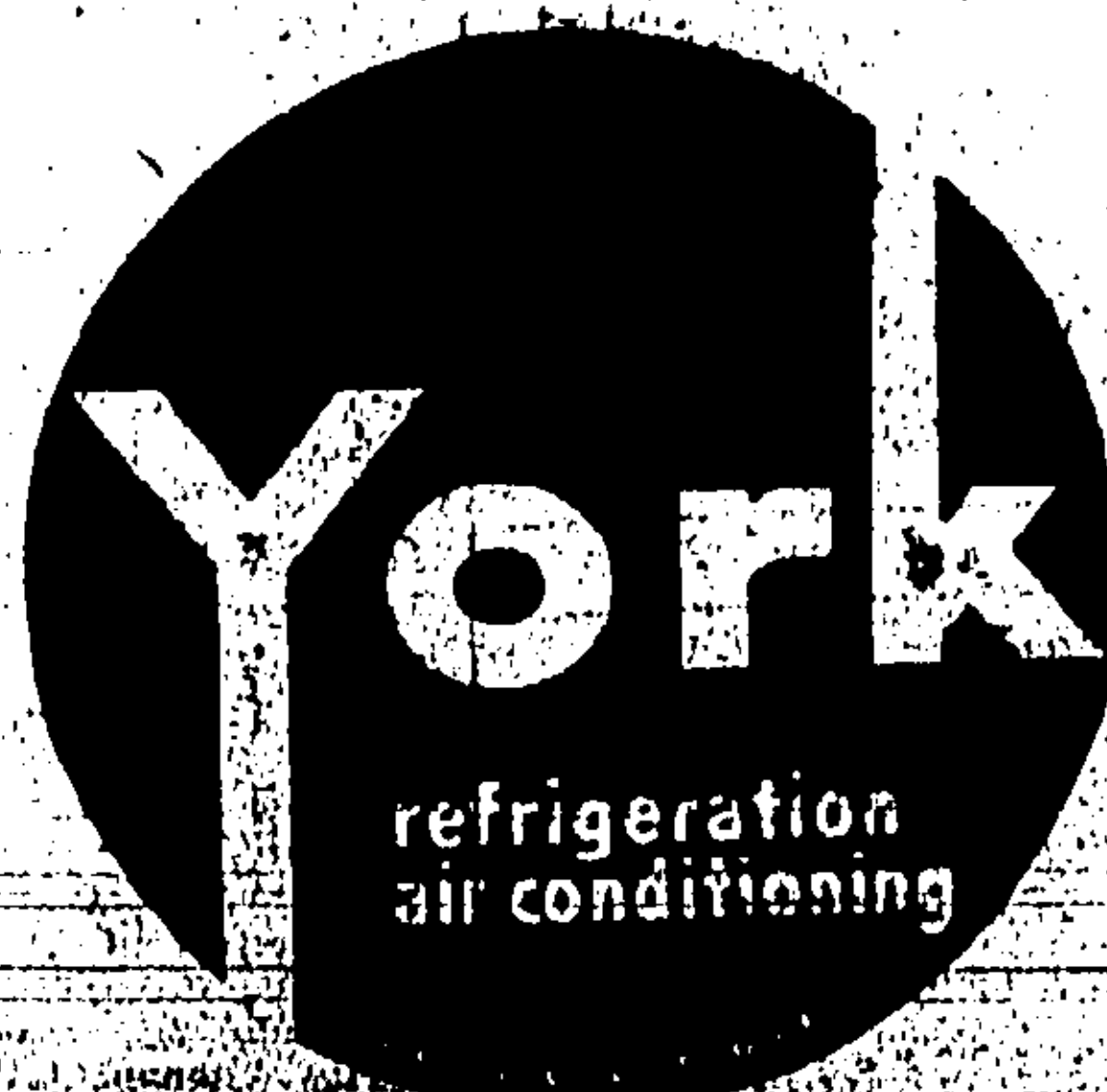


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U.S. URGES CUT IN UN'S AMBITIOUS PLAN TO AID UNDER-DEVELOPED AREAS

Geneva, July 21.

The United States, showing its hand on President Truman's "Fourth Point" plan to aid under-developed countries, today urged a big cut in the United Nations' ambitious \$36,000,000 plan.

Mr. Willard Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, declared that his Government believed that no more than \$25,000,000 could be spent effectively in the first year of the plan's operation.

Calling for a careful beginning, Mr. Thorp told a packed session of the Economic and Social Council here: "We have a job to do, and we must figure out how to get it moving promptly and effectively."

The sum of just under \$36,000,000 was proposed by Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in a report last May.

The United States, believing an effective and efficient programme of this nature could not be carried out by the United Nations and specialized agencies in the first year, was confident that a minimum of \$15,000,000 could be available.

"I believe it would, indeed, be a great achievement if we could spend wisely an amount of money

ranging from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000," Mr. Thorp said.

"Even the lowest figure would represent an extraordinary increase to be accomplished in a single year."

Mr. Thorp said that the United States was considering legislation which might remove some of the deterrents to the international flow of private capital. It was also studying possible changes in the American tax laws which might further encourage the flow of such capital abroad.

Will Be Delays

Mr. Thorp said that many delays will be found in expanding the supervisory staff of the specialized agencies, in negotiating agreements with Governments, and in recruiting the necessary training facilities.

"The shortage of available experts and in organising the technicians and training facilities at the beginning of the programme would alone require a substantial reduction in the proposals of the participating agencies for the first year," he added.

Mr. Thorp said that his comments were not intended to cast doubt on technical assistance, but rather to urge a careful beginning. "I believe it would, indeed, be a great achievement if we could spend wisely an amount of money ranging from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000," he said.

Mr. Thorp said that the basic objective of the United Nations plan, which would affect the lives of some one and a half million people, could not be retarded too often. "Clearly the world seems ready for a major international co-

operative effort, and the opportunity for leadership is ours in the Economic and Social Council."

To Discuss Action

"At this session we should discuss action. If there are obstacles, we must find ways of working through them. If there are jurisdictional problems, we must get that they do not block progress."

"We have a job to do, and we must figure out how to get it moving promptly and effectively."

Mr. Thorp proposed that the Council create a Committee to report back to it during the session on the basic elements of technical assistance. It would consider what proposals, in its judgment, could not be carried out effectively on the scale proposed in the first year.

Mr. E. Ronald Walker, the Australian Economic Counsellor in Europe, told the Council that Australia would consider making an appropriate contribution to the programme if satisfactory arrangements were worked out, but the contribution could not be in United States dollars or other hard currencies.

He said: "Provided an agreement can be reached on the principles and on satisfactory working arrangements, we shall be able to consider making an appropriate contribution to this programme in the coming year. It will not be possible for us to envisage making any contribution in United States dollars or in other hard currencies. But we assume that there will be a significant place within the programme for services and, possibly, goods which can be paid for in Australian currency or in sterling."—Reuter.

French Film Stars Get Satisfaction

Paris, July 21.

M. Pierre Laval, director of the French weekly newspaper "Samedi Soir," was found guilty here today of infringing on the private lives of 24 French film stars and was fined 500,000 francs (about £455).

Damages of 200,000 francs each was awarded to 18 of the film stars. The other 18 received 100,000 francs.

The suit followed the publication in "Samedi Soir" of an article called "The Little Dictionary of the Cinema" in January this year.

The 24 stars, including Jean Gabin, Michèle Morgan, Annabella, and Blanche Binoche, sued the newspaper for a million francs each. The stars claimed that the article contained "indecent" revelations of their love lives.

—Reuter.

Cinema Festival To Open In Marienbad Today

Prague, July 21.

Twenty-eight feature length films and many shorts entered from 15 countries, East and West, will compete for prizes in the fourth International Film Festival opening on Saturday at Marijanske Lazne (Marienbad), West Bohemian spa.

The products will range from that of Hollywood to that of Moscow. An all-Czech jury will do the judging.

As last year, the festival will have the theme "For a Better Man—For Better Mankind" and will award a peace prize and a work prize in addition to the main festival award.

Eight prizes for the best shorts of various categories will be presented by a jury headed by Professor A. M. Brouil, Dean of the Czech Fine Arts Academy's Film Department.

American entries in the feature film competition are John Houston's "Treasure of Sierra Madre," "Johnny Belinda" and "Native Land."

Britain has "Scott of the Antarctic" and "Blue Scar."

France has "By the Dawn," "Man Belongs to Man" and "Review of Cost Time."

Italy's entries are "Without Compassion" and "The Earth Is Trembling."

Mexico has "Maclovio" and "The Twilight." Norway, competing for the first time, has entered "The Fateful Waterfall" and Sweden, "On My Own Land" and "Fight in the North."

Denmark competes with "Peter Sabro" and "The Mischief of Imps."

Russia's main entries are "Battle of Stalingrad," "Meeting on the Elbe," "The Academic Pavlov" and "Life Among Blossoms."

In addition, "V. I. Lenin" has been entered, but only for special showing and not for competition.

"Meeting on the Elbe" portrays the meeting of American and Russian troops on that river in Germany in 1945, sealing the downfall of Hitler's Reich.

It is sharply critical of the American Army and its occupation policies in Germany and is a product of the cold war.

Last year's highest award was won by the Polish semi-documentary about the Auschwitz concentration camp, called "Oswiecim."

The peace prize went to the Russian picture, "The Russian Question," sharply critical of American journalism. The prize for best direction went to American William Wyler for his "The Best Years of Our Lives."

Although "The Best Years" was advertised for public showing in Prague cinemas more than eight months ago, it has never been exhibited in Czechoslovakia.

A new entrant in the festival this year is the Russian occupation zone of Germany. It has entered "The Mine Morning Star" and "The Blum Affair."

The Yugoslavs, who intended to compete last year, were barred at the last minute because of Marshal Tito's remarks in the film "This Nation Will Live."

Entries from some countries, including Belgium and India, were excluded because they were regarded as not fitting the festival theme.—Associated Press.

Indonesian Reds Are Released

Jakarta, July 21.

Thirteen Indonesian political prisoners, who according to the Dutch, are Communists or fellow travellers, were this afternoon handed over by the Dutch to the Republican authorities and later released by the Republican Minister of Defence.

The 13 were arrested after the Dutch started their second military action and evacuated with the Dutch army when it left the Jogjakarta Residency last month.

Sultan Hamengku Buwono, who is the Republic's security co-ordinator and Minister of Defence, requested their turning over, which was agreed to by the Dutch.

The handing over took place at Sultan, 18 kilometres North West of Jogjakarta city, and was witnessed by the Associated Press correspondent. The exchange was led by two United Nations Commission on Indonesian military observers.—Associated Press.

The Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, told Parliament today that he did not feel it would be wise to abandon the maintenance of wartime air raid shelters in the present state of the world. A member had asked whether he would allow the shelters to be demolished as "eyesores."

He said: "I am not sure that they were a nuisance.—Reuter.

Jap Reds Issue A Warning

Tokyo, July 21.

The Communist Party Politburo bluntly warned today that "unless all state authorities retreat and all enterprises are left to autonomous operation by the workers and people, the workers can assume no responsibility for sabotage cases which will occur or be deliberately caused in the future."

It again accused the Conservative Yoshida government of engineering the recent runaway train accident and murder of the State Railway President, Sadamori Shimoyama, after the pattern of the Nazis burning of the Reichstag, as a pretext for suppressing the Communists.

The politburo statement called on the masses to work with us to overthrow the Yoshida cabinet, and overthrow it and establish a people's government."

The Communists pleaded innocence of a series of violent acts which have been reported in major newspapers and in government statements as probably the work of Communist elements fighting the American-sponsored mass discharge of surplus state railway workers.

Red Posters

Japanese sources reported today that 12 Communists were arrested in Osaka for referring in posters to occupation personnel as "useful beasts."

The police arrested the Reds in Osaka after the posters appeared in the city saying that the "useful beasts" whom the Japanese police were unable to control were terrorising Japanese girls at Tsuiga, a port in Western Honshu.

The posters which appeared in at least 22 places in Osaka said the Communist Party in Tsuiga took the lead in organising a "Citizens Defence League" along with the situation.—United Press.

GUATEMALA REVOLT OVER

Guatemala City, July 21.

It was officially learned today that the military revolt against President J. Arevalo's Government has been put down and order restored.

Officials estimate that 400 were killed or wounded in the two-day revolt, 200 of which were against Arevalo since he came to power in the revolution in 1945.

The Government said that the Air Force last night set fire to the honour guard barracks which were the Rebel headquarters, and that the insurgents surrendered.

An unconditional surrender was arranged through the mediation of foreign diplomats.—United Press.

DRUSE LEADER IN DAMASCUS

Damascus, July 21.

Sultan Al-Atrash, Druse leader who commanded the 1925 Syrian rising against the French, arrived here today to congratulate Hushim el-Zaim, newly elected President of the Syrian Republic.

This was the first visit of the Druse to the Syrian capital since Syria declared her independence three years ago. She was accompanied by a large number of Druse and Arab leaders.

NOEL BAKER TO HAVE OPERATION

London, July 21.

Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Minister for Commonwealth Relations, will undergo a heart operation for an operation, it was said, which would enable him to continue his work.

Mr. Noel-Baker, who is 57, has been in the House of Commons since 1929. He was Minister of Health and Housing from 1945 to 1946, and was in charge of the Office of the Secretary of State for the Colonies from 1946 to 1947.

A-Energy Discussions Unimportant; Truman

Washington, July 21.

President Truman today told the American press that the recent highly publicised secret discussions on America's atomic energy question were relatively unimportant.

The President said that the subject had been over-headlined and over-played in the press. There was nothing to be alarmed about. There was no deep, dark secret in connection with this meeting.

Weizmann's Holiday In Europe

Geneva, July 21.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, 74-year-old President of Israel, and Mrs. Weizmann arrived here from Lydda in a chartered Constellation plane of Air France.

The Weizmanns are expected to remain in Geneva for two or three days and then go for several weeks' rest to a mountain resort in the Swiss Alps.

They were met at the airport by Albert Picot, a member of the Government of the Canton of Geneva, and by Mr. Kahane, permanent Jewish delegate to the United Nations European Headquarters in Geneva.

They are accompanied by members of Weizmann's personal staff and by their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Benjamin Weizmann, with her son.—Associated Press.

TO DEBATE ROYAL PRESS REPORT

London, July 21.

The House of Commons is next Thursday to debate the Royal Commission's report on its investigations into the British press.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Leader of the House, announced today.

The Commission's chief recommendation was for a voluntary Press Council consisting of proprietors, editors, other journalists, and lay members to safeguard the freedom of the press, encourage the growth of a sense of public responsibility, and public service, in the profession, and further the efficiency of the profession, and the well-being of those who engage in it.—Reuter.

GREEK MP'S AT PALACE

London, July 20.

The Greek Members of Parliament who are now visiting Britain in addition to their already laid will meet King George, Queen Elizabeth, and other members of the Royal Family at a Buckingham Palace Garden Party tomorrow afternoon.

Special arrangements are being made for them to attend the busy programme tomorrow, which includes lunch with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

The Duke of Edinburgh, formerly Prince Philip, is expected to attend.

Today the delegation made a tour of health and housing centres controlled by the London County Council, and were in the afternoon guests of the Chairman of the Council, Mr. A. G. Brown.



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GERMAN CHURCHES ARE FLOURISHING TODAY

Moonlight Tricycle Ride Made Money

By EDWARD C. GAYLER

On a February night in Belfast, a 10-year-old boy took out his tricycle in the moonlight and went for a trial spin to test the new tyres made for him by his father.

As a result of that moonlight ride a little company was started which today has a working capital of £200,000,000, employs 40,000 workpeople, all over the world and makes its goods in 11 different countries. Last year its profits topped £10,000,000.

The little boy on the tricycle was called Johnny. His father was John Boyd Dunlop, inventor of the pneumatic tyre.

John Boyd Dunlop was the son of an Avonshire farmer, but before he had reached the age of 20 he was established as a veterinary surgeon in Belfast.

On his journeyings round the farms whose animals he looked after, John Dunlop used an old "boneshaker" dog-cart, and it was the many jolts he got in this that first brought him to the idea of making an inflated tyre.

He made his first experiment with a wooden disc 11in. in diameter. With a piece of linen and a few nails he fitted to this a hand-made rubber tube. This disc he bowled backwards and forwards across his yard, noting its ease of movement.

This was the first tyre John Dunlop made.

With the knowledge thus gained he experimented and finally fitted the two back wheels of his son's tricycle with the new wheels. In the summer of 1888 Dunlop patented his idea, and by the end of the year a local firm was making and advertising a bicycle with the "New Pneumatic Safety. Vibration Impossible."

But the invention did not meet with unanimous approval. There was much opposition from existing solid tyre manufacturers and some of the early comments in the cycling journals of the day were far from complimentary.

They called Dunlop's tyre a "sausage" and a "bolster."

Once the advantages of the tyre were known, however, its popularity mounted rapidly. William Hume, then captain of the Belfast Cruisers' Cycling Club, had a bad accident after which he decided to give up cycling.

Noting Dunlop's success, a Mr. Harvey du Cros, well-known Irish sportsman of the day, joined him and arranged finance for development.

Dunlop's first specially made bicycle was ridden more than 3,000 miles. When, in 1889, the Pneumatic Tyre Company was formed the prospectus detailed the tyre as indispensable for ladies and persons with delicate nerves.

That year and in 1890 Mr. Arthur du Cros scored some spectacular race victories with the new tyre, and the company's name was made.

In May 1896, the year which saw the abolition of the 4 m.p.h. speed limit and the man with the red flag walking in front, the Dunlop Company was floated with a capital of £5,000,000.

Pneumatic tyres had already been made by Dunlop for horse-drawn carriages, and at the turn of the century the company repudiated Lord Ammon's statement ordering the men to return to work or risk smashing the scheme guaranteeing them a week's pay even in idleness. This was a fair threat in the circumstances, but Mr. Attlee was not going to antagonise trade union voters all over the country by permitting such an obvious move. There was a typically feeble statement from Mr. Isaacs that he "would rather see the men go back willingly than try to drag them back to work."

Very illuminating. Even if a man is completely in the wrong and actively engaged in harming his nation's economy at a critical time, he must not be interfered with. He holds a union card. Times have certainly changed.

started on tyres for the new motor-cars.

It was the entry of Dunlop into the motor-car field which brought the biggest expansion to the company. At the popularity of the motor car grew so did the name of Dunlop.

When the first tyre was made, the plantation rubber industry did not exist and the year before some seeds of *Hevea Brasiliensis* had been sent from Ceylon to Singapore, but developments followed rapidly, and by 1910 the price of rubber had soared to 12s. 6d. per lb., so the company bought its first properties in Malaya and started its own production.

Johnny's first tyres were covered with linen, but as progress was made, it was found that the ordinary textile machinery was incapable of making the fabric of the right texture for tyres, so in 1914 Dunlop branched out again and started its own mills, which have since supplied tyre fabric for the company.

Two years later, in 1916, the company had completely outgrown its existing Dunlop, Coventry, and Birmingham factories and bought a 400-acre site near Birmingham and began the Fort Dunlop town. The town remains the headquarters of tyre production, with a range from baby wheelbarrow tyres to giant aeroplane covers.

During the two world wars the Dunlop Company's progress was enormous. Today production covers the entire field of rubber manufacture and ranges from such vastly different products as golf balls and rubber suits for frogmen.

Recently the company passed another milestone of history. Group trading profits for 1948 were announced as £10,708,376, a jump of more than £1,650,000 on 1947.

Little Johnny's original tricycle wheels probably cost his father only a few shillings. Sixty-one years later those shillings have become a manufacturing group with £200,000,000 of working capital.

Modern Weather Forecasting

Weather forecasting—the modern way—has come to town in America.

In Manhattan can be seen a group of radar pylons installed by the United States Weather Bureau on some of the highest buildings in the district.

During the war it was found that radar scanners "spitting" aircraft picked up also the echoes of windstorms thus reproducing approaching storms on the radar screens as if they were solid objects.

Making use of the war-time discovery, the weather bureau has now installed radar sets in a dozen cities in the so-called hurricane belt of the Southern Atlantic States. With a range of more than 75 miles, it is hoped the sets will reveal the position, direction, and velocity of approaching storms at least three hours in advance.

This additional storm information, writes Kay Murray, will not be included in the Weather Bureau's general forecasts, but will instead be available to airlines and shipping companies as well as to any power stations which may have to generate additional electricity when the skies darken and lights go up, in the cities.

"Keep Death Off The Roads"

"Keep Death Off The Roads"—Britain's most widely distributed road safety slogan—is receiving commendation in Denmark.

World traffic statistics just published in Copenhagen show that while the roads of most countries are becoming rapidly more dangerous, the chance of being killed in a road accident in Britain is still comparatively small.

One of the worst countries for road deaths is Australia. Figures for Melbourne show that in an average year, 37 people in every 100,000 in the city are killed in road accidents. These figures compare with 15 Glasgow, 12 in Manchester and only 8 in Sheffield.

Even in Copenhagen, where the safety statistics are compiled, the number of people injured in street accidents is on the increase. Explaining this, the Chief of the Danish traffic police told correspondent James White that many accidents were due to the number of intoxicated motorists on the road and not to any general carelessness.

Even the Chief of the Traffic Police has no explanation for the fact that as many as 200 accidents a year are proved to be the fault of police drivers.

When the occupation of Germany is over, and the last British, American and French official or soldier has been withdrawn, it may well be that, of all the work and efforts of the occupying powers since 1945, nothing will prove of more lasting influence and value than the revival of the German Churches, which—in Western Germany, at least—the occupying powers have helped to bring about.

Allied efforts to impart democratic methods to the Germans may not succeed in overcoming the natural instincts of most Germans for authoritarian rule.

Allied plans to cut the heavy industrial firms, Germany's war potential, may founder on the skillful evasions and prevarications of German industrialists and politicians, but if any single factor in German life can minimise the harshness, the military capacity and the non-democratic instincts of the Germans, it is probably the German Church, in both its main branches—the Catholics and the Evangelical Protestants.

Only The Churches

Of the important institutions of pre-Hitler German life, only the Churches have succeeded in surviving relatively unchanged the 10 years of Nazism, war and occupation, and in maintaining throughout a large measure of independence.

The law, the Government, the youth movements, the trade unions, Masonry and the youth movements of pre-Hitler days had all to surrender or adapt their character to Nazi ideals—ideals and institutions which, in turn, were shattered in the collapse of Germany.

The Churches went through hard times under the Nazis. Church buildings and property were confiscated, many of the clergy were persecuted or even sent to concentration camps. Church youth movements were forcibly incorporated in the Hitler Youth, congregations were reduced by propaganda, fear or threats.

During the war, thousands of churches and large amounts of Church property were destroyed—in Berlin, only two out of 140 Protestant churches were still in full use by 1945.

No Exemption

Priests and pastors were allowed no exemption from military service by the Nazis and, indeed, it is said, were deliberately drafted to dangerous areas, with the result that hundreds were killed, and even today, about 100 are still believed to be war prisoners in Russia.

But, despite Nazism and the war, the Churches—in Western Germany—are today in a flourishing state.

There has been a return to the church-going habit; attendances show a great improvement on pre-war figures; thousands have joined the Church youth organisations; Church orphanages and asylums have been re-opened. In many areas church building or rebuilding is going ahead far more rapidly than the rebuilding of houses.

In post-war German Church life there is a new spirit of friendliness and co-operation between the Catholics (about 40 per cent of Western Germany's 45,000,000 population) and the Evangelical Protestants (between 50 per cent and 60 per cent of the population). Before the war Catholics and Protestants who lived in Germany opposed to each other more closely to the Presbyterian than to the Anglican Church—were often not on speaking terms. For example, Catholics would often walk to the next village to buy bread rather than patronise a Protestant baker.

Since the war this attitude has changed remarkably. Owing to destroyed churches, Catholic and Evangelical services now often take place in the same church, and in discussions on the proposed new German Constitution, Evangelicals and Catholics have made common cause in such matters as securing confessional schools.

Healthy Sign

Another healthy sign has been a great post-war increase in candidates for the ministry, including many ex-Servicemen approaching middle age.

The average German parson, like his counterparts in most countries, is not well paid, but in Germany he is paid by the State and is regarded to some extent as a senior civil servant.

Financially, the German Churches are fairly strong. They receive the proceeds of a Church tax—collected compulsorily (by the State tax collector) from all who acknowledge being Church adherents—and distributed accordingly to the creed to which the taxpayer belongs.

Additionally, Church collections are said to be on the whole well supported, and a voluntary "Penny Help" (Penny Help) has already brought in considerable sums.

many and, in particular, the arrival of more than 11,000,000 refugees from German areas East of the Iron Curtain, have put an enormous strain on war-damaged Church resources.

A village and pastor with about 300 souls may suddenly find that a new refugee camp nearby has increased the church's responsibility by 3,000 or 4,000 people, most of them with desperately urgent welfare needs.

Such conditions have led to notable improvisations and Protestant-Catholic co-operation. One particularly interesting

scheme is the turning of a former arms factory in the Westphalian woods into a centre for rehabilitating refugees and war prisoners returning destitute and starving from Russia.

It is planned to re-settle refugees in clay houses built by refugee workmen and to use the factory buildings for new light industries from which the refugees can earn money.

Charity Work

Another Church problem is the reduction of charity work necessitated by last year's West German currency reform, which involved the wiping down of their previous nominal value. This problem is now being overcome by better support from Church congregations.

Another handicap is the Occupation Zone boundaries which, in several cases, cut across Church organisation boundaries. The Archbishop of Paderborn, for example, has half his diocese in British and half in Russian territory, and has visited the latter only once in 12 months, owing to the failure of the Russians to allow him to enter.

In shattered, divided country the German Churches have received much assistance and understanding from occupation authorities in the Western zones. The Allies have restored the Churches to their proper status, returned large amounts of Nazi-confiscated property, helped to re-start Church papers and periodicals, re-open schools and resume Church youth work.

With Military Government assistance, there have been numerous inter-change visits between leaders of the German and foreign Churches.

Overseas Help

Very generous help has been given by overseas Churches, particularly those of Britain and America, in the form of scholarships, invitations and hospitality designed to help renew German contact with Church life and thought abroad.

A sign to the outside world of German Church revival has been the renewal of German missionary work overseas.

Since 1945 overseas Churches and Allied Control authorities have co-operated to send 135 Catholic and 15 Evangelical German missionaries to Africa, the Far East, South America and the Pacific. More than 200 Protestant missionaries abroad when the war began are now continuing their work.

As a symbol to sum up the new significance of the Churches in the national and international life of Germany, one may perhaps take the recent meeting of the World Council of Churches in Zurich, for this a Church gathering was the first international organisation since the war to choose Germany as a meeting place.



Some people in Canton confuse the vanguards of Democracy with the guard's van.

Where will the Central Government go next? Do you want Tibet?

This oral strike down in Austria is really a black show.

Have you heard about the angry husband who thought that a correspondent's club must be a refuge for Casanovas?

Herr Abetz, it appears, used to collect spicy items for the Fuehrer's enlightenment. The Gaudier side of life!

For The Party! Though every day it seems the People's rice Goes soaring up in spiralling flights of price True Comrades can ignore such trials as these And stick it out on caviare and cheese.

"It may be that if we concentrate more pedestrians on crossings, more pedestrians will be injured at these points, but fewer on other parts of the roads."

"That's right, they can't have it both ways. The family circle awaited the customary words of wisdom to come from the head of the house as he sank into his chair. Surveying his respectful audience, consisting of Mrs. Young Bob, the mopey, and Herman the spaniel, he harrumphed twice in an impressive manner, and then launched out with, "Everything is strained these days—including industrial, foreign and domestic relations."

"You're right, dear," interrupted Mrs. Young Bob. "You call in and buy baby's food."

And thus ended another discussion on the news of the day. Overheard in a local store, as a clerk stooped to pick up the pen he had dropped: "Oh, well—the nice thing about these ball point pens is that they don't write any worse after you drop them than they did before."

Mrs. Stewart of the Blues used to tell how her husband was caught fishing on the Dee one day by a gamekeeper. The latter pointed to a notice and said, "Can ye no read? No fishing here!" And Mr. S. came back with a sad look at his empty basket, "Ah'm, thinkin' ye're right."

A Hollywood producer received a story entitled "The Optimist." He called his staff together and said, "Gentlemen, this title must be changed to something simpler. We're intelligent and know what an optimist is, but how many of these morons will see the picture will know he's an eye-doctor!"

Myrtle thinks that high heels were invented by a short girl who got tired of being kissed on her forehead.

A pedestrian had fallen into a manhole and called for help. "Dear me," said a gentleman who happened along. "Have you fallen into that manhole?"

"Not at all," was the reply. "I just happened to be down here and they built the pavement round me when I wasn't looking."



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Chennault's Warning On Strikes

Washington, July 21. Former Major General Claire Chennault said today he has learned from a responsible source that the dock strikes in London and Honolulu are Communist-inspired.

He also said the same source stated the Reds are planning riots and strikes in non-Communist ports of the Far East in the hope of shutting off possible American aid to the Nationalists of China and other non-Communist portions of Asia.

General Chennault, wartime leader of the "Flying Tigers" in China, said he is informed the troubles in the non-Red Asiatic ports are to begin in Japan and reach as far South as Singapore. He said the best outlooks are planned for Yokohama and Kobe, where they may begin immediately.

Then he said, they are to move South on this schedule:

1. At Philippine port cities in September and October.
2. At Hong Kong, in October and November.
3. At Singapore, before Christmas.

General Chennault said he could not reveal the source of his information, but believed it to be accurate.

"If disorders begin in non-Red ports from Japan to Singapore," he told a reporter, "it is obvious it will be impossible to send aid into non-Communist parts of Asia."

General Chennault reiterated today that he is continuing efforts for further aid to Nationalist China and said he would remain here as long as there is any hope the American Government may do something in this respect.

General Chennault is the operator of an airline in China. Its flights are now confined to the non-Communist controlled area, centering about Canton and through West China.—Associated Press.

LADY MOUNTBATTEN ON INDIA

London, July 21. Lady Mountbatten, wife of the former first Governor General of India, said here today that India had made an amazing improvement in the refugee situation, turning her recent tragedies into wonderful opportunities for social reform.

Lady Mountbatten was appealing for funds for the relief of refugees in India at a meeting in Conway Hall, Central London, which was organized by the India Relief Committee, of which she is Joint Chairman.—Reuter.

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Churchill Replies To Criticisms On Germany DISMANTLING SCHEME

London, July 21.

Mr. Winston Churchill said today that he took a rapid on-the-spot decision to support President Franklin D. Roosevelt's surprise demand for Germany's unconditional surrender though he knew that the British Cabinet would have advised against it.

The wartime Prime Minister was replying in a debate on foreign affairs in the House of Commons to criticism by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, that insistence on unconditional surrender had left a shambles in Germany—no law, constitution or any one to deal with.

Mr. Churchill stated: "The statement was made by President Roosevelt without consultation with me. I was there on the spot, and had very rapidly to consider whether the state of our position in the world was such as would justify me in not giving support to it."

"I did give support to it, but it was not the idea which I had formed in my mind."

The Conservative leader added that he had not the slightest doubt that the Cabinet would have advised against it. "But working in a great alliance and with loyal and powerful friends across the ocean, we had to accommodate ourselves."

Labour Members protested when Mr. Churchill said that he was by no means inclined to think that great harm came from that particular phrase.

Mr. Bevin said: "If the phrase had been put to me as a member of your Cabinet, I would never have agreed to it. He did not complain but it was 'rather hard for the leaders of the Opposition to criticise me when they left me such a shambles to take on'."

Later in the debate, Mr. Churchill again referred to the "unconditional surrender" announcement and said: "The phrase unconditional surrender was not brought to me to agree to in any way before it was uttered by that great, very august, all-powerful ally, the President of the American Republic, but I did concur with him after he had said it, and I reported the matter to the Cabinet who accepted the decision."

Upset And Hindered

Mr. Bevin said that he was completely upset and hindered by the Allies in the dismantling programme for Germany. "America took one view at one time, then altered it, appointed inquiry committees and then put up an entirely different proposal."

"We have a responsibility to Belgium, Holland and France, all of whom were overrun and I do not think that sloppy sentimentality about business is the right approach to the problem."

Mr. Churchill said that when the Morgenthau (American) plan on dismantling German war industry was put forward, he did not agree with it. "But I can only say that when you are fighting for life in a fierce struggle with an enemy, you feel quite differently towards him than when that enemy is beaten to the ground and is suing for mercy."

Mr. Churchill added: "Now, if the document is ever brought up to me, I shall say that I do not agree with it, and was sorry I put my initials to it."

Mr. Bevin said that the dismantling scheme now worked out was fair and based on security.

To an interruption by a left wing Labour Member, Mr. Emrys Hughes, about German unemployment following dismantling, the Foreign Secretary re-

plied: "I must have regard not only to unemployment in Germany but to the many children and women who were killed in the shambles in Wandsworth (London), and I am not going to forget it."

The two leaders also had exchanges about the Council of Europe after Mr. Bevin had said that he did not think it was possible to discuss or settle any question of the future of Germany at the Strasbourg conference next month.

"I want to see Germany in the European Council, but I want to be very careful how she is brought in," Mr. Bevin stated.

Handled With Care

"The problem has to be handled with very great care, but if we can succeed at Strasbourg in ending that age-long feud between France and Germany, great work will have been accomplished."

Mr. Churchill replied: "I think it would be better for us to wait until we are assembled here and see how the Assembly chooses to act. I hope and trust that Mr. Bevin will make sure that if there is a desire expressed not only in the Assembly but in the Council of Ministers that broad views shall be taken and good latitude given to the Assembly, he will not be the principal person to offer resistance."

"He might not find himself possessed there, in the Council or the Assembly, of the large majority he commands in this House."

Mr. Bevin was accused of belatedly recognising the true character of the Soviet aims when Mr. Harold MacMillan, Conservative, earlier opened the debate.

The persistent malignancy of the Soviet policy of following the expansionist and imperialist tradition they inherited from the Czarist days was clear by the end of 1945, Mr. MacMillan said. Yet, he added, it was not until the end of 1947 that the truth was acknowledged.

Policy Hampered

"For two and a half years, therefore, our policy has been hampered by clinging to hopes that were doomed to be frustrated," Mr. MacMillan declared.

Speaking on Mr. Bevin's difficulties, Mr. MacMillan said that he had to achieve a volte face in the Labour Party. In this he had been very successful. "What was once a large party of fellow travellers has now sunk to a few unhappy hitch-hikers," Mr. MacMillan said.

Mr. MacMillan said that he considered Germany had always been the key to European peace. "The true danger to European peace is that if Germany cannot, in some way or other, be attached firmly to the West, I fear nothing can prevent her sliding on purpose or by mistake into the power and control of the East," he stated.

Describing some parts of the Government's policy on Germany as naive, Mr. MacMillan urged that instead of dismantling being allowed to drag on and on, it should be done quickly.

Mr. Bevin, in his reply, said: "We have done our best to try to help Germany, not only the British, French and American Zones, but even the spirit and opinion of the Soviet Zone to the Western ideal."

"I think as time goes on you will discover very acute differences even in the Eastern Zone and in the Russian attitude towards it."

"I acknowledge that the key to European peace is a settlement of the British-American-French-German problem. That is to say can we, or how shall we, bring German adhesion to the Western Hemisphere? That has been a very difficult problem," he continued.

"If I understand the criticism in Mr. MacMillan's speech, all the steps we have taken to try to make Germany a democratic nation have been either futile or puny."

Base Of Problem

Enumerating some of the things Britain had done, Mr. Bevin said: "First of all, we tried

to deal the problem from the base. I urged that we should get rid of the Soviet policy of control of prices and wages in the sense that you had a fixed kind of basis and there was nothing for the trade unions to do but to indulge in political discussion."

"As soon as we got monetary reform, we restored the proper method of wage negotiations in all branches of Western German industry with very marked results."

Describing the efforts to reconstruct local government in Germany, the Foreign Secretary said that the German method of local bureaucracy had been one of the biggest contributing factors to dictatorship.

The work that the British Foreign Office had done in this field over the last three years had been of vital importance.

He also said that a magnificent job had been done in education in Germany in the last two and a half years. It had also been necessary to enable Germans to practice democracy. To do this, a government had to be created.

"When we found in Moscow in 1947 that what the Russians wanted was a highly centralized German Government—I assume making secure the Ministry of the Interior, which seems to be the most essential post to occupy in Russian democracy, for it controls the policy—we would not agree, and so we set out to make a Federal Germany."

In that Federal Germany, great powers had been given to the Länder (individual States) and limited powers to the central authority.

Feeling Of Nationalism

Mr. Bevin said that it might be argued that nationalism prevailed in Germany. "That may be, but I do not know the statesman yet who can wipe out in a moment this feeling in Germany that has been indoctrinated for 84 years."

"All we can do is to lay down carefully the road upon which the Germans can travel, which is the democratic road."

The Foreign Secretary declared that insistence of "unconditional surrender" had left nothing in Germany to build on—no law, constitution or any one to deal with.

He said that he first heard of the phrase in the press.

When the Opposition leader, Mr. Churchill, interrupted to say that the first time he heard it was from the lips of President Roosevelt, Mr. Bevin said: "If the phrase had been put to me as a member of your Cabinet, I would never have agreed to it."

When Mr. Churchill added that he did not think any great harm came from that particular phrase, Labour Members protested.

Mr. Bevin said: "My only complaint is that when I get criticism on Germany now, I wish the Opposition would take these facts into account."

On dismantling, Mr. Bevin said: "At Moscow, I said I would clear what were called the No. 1 war plants by June, 1948. I tried my hardest to do it, and I was completely upset and hindered by the Allies. America took one view at one time, then altered it, appointed inquiry committees and then put up an entirely different proposal."

The Foreign Secretary said that he was not yet ready to regard Germany as a non-aggressive nation.

Turning to the position in Berlin, Mr. Bevin said that five months' reserve stocks were being built-up. As soon as this was completed, it was hoped to reduce the airlift.

Airlift To Continue

"But we are going to keep the machinery of the airlift in being in case anything happens," he added. "There will be difficulties with the Russians," Mr. Bevin said. "There always are, because of their different approach and their different methods."

He declared: "The unity of the whole of Europe is our aim."

Mr. Churchill then said that Mr. Bevin had "plunged back across the years into the history of the war and touched upon

U.S. Senate Ratifies Atlantic Pact By Overwhelming Vote

Washington, July 21.

The United States Senate tonight ratified the Atlantic Pact by an overwhelming vote of 82 votes to 13. Immediately before the vote of ratification, the Senate rejected three Republican-sponsored reservations which would have limited the United States' obligations to the nations within the Treaty.

The vote pledged the United States to join with Canada, Great Britain, France and eight other European nations in an alliance of mutual defence.

The overwhelming majority for approval gave the pact 18 votes more than the 64 or two-thirds majority required under the Constitution for the ratification of Treaties.

This is America's final ratification of the Treaty, since under the Constitution it is not necessary for the House of Representatives to ratify the Pact.

The 20-year pact binds its signatories to go to the aid of any member with such action as it deems necessary, including the use of armed force in the event of an attack on any of them.

The nations also agree to consult together in the event of a threat to the territorial integrity,

political independence or security of any of the parties.

The Pact was signed by the Foreign Ministers of the nations in Washington on April 4. The Treaty does not affect the rights and obligations under the Charter of the United Nations or other international agreements such as the Anglo-Soviet and Franco-Soviet Treaties.

After 12 days of mild and unsensational debate, the Senate pushed aside all attempts by a handful of opponents to persuade the Senate to attach reservations to the Treaty and ratified it without alteration of amendment.

The decision was taken in the old Senate Chamber where more than a century ago Senators debated the Monroe Doctrine, whereby the United States extended its sphere of mutual defence to the whole of the Western Hemisphere.

Challenges Members

Senator Tom Connally, the Democrat Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, in his final address on the Treaty, challenged any member of the Senate to find anything in the Treaty which was hostile to the provisions of the United Nations Charter.

"I insist that in a number of provisions it proclaims its allegiance to the Charter," he said. "It is primarily based on Article 51, which provides that nothing in the Charter will impair the inherent rights of nations to provide for individual and collective self-defence."

Senator Connally said that Senator Taft's recommendation to extend the Monroe Doctrine to Europe would virtually give the United States sole responsibility for the defence of the whole North Atlantic area with no certainty of being able to secure bases in Europe.

The Monroe Doctrine, which was promulgated in 1823, stressed American opposition to European interference in the Americas and pledged no American interference in Europe.

Unilateral responsibility for the defence of Europe would provide fuel for Russian propaganda that America was bent on imperialistic expansionism, Senator Connally said.

He appealed to the Senate to ratify the Treaty without hampering or crippling reservations.

Amendment Rejected

The Senate, in its first vote on three of a series of reservations to the Pact, rejected a Republican-sponsored amendment saying that the North Atlantic Pact should carry no obligation for the United States to give military aid to the other Pact nations.

The vote was 74 to 21. This declaration, which was proposed by Senators Wherry, Taft and Watkins, read: "The United States ratifies this Treaty with the understanding that Article 3 commits none of the parties thereto morally or legally to furnish or supply arms, armaments, military, naval or air equipment, naval or air supplies, including atomic bombs, and information relating to such bombs, to any other party or parties to this Treaty."

The Senate then rejected by 84 votes to 11 a reservation which would have freed the United States of any obligation to restore and maintain security in the North Atlantic area.

This reservation, which was proposed by Senator Watkins, read: "The United States understands and construes Article 5 of the Treaty as follows: that the United States assumes no obligation to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area, or to assist any other party or parties in the said area, by armed force, or to employ the military, air, or naval forces of the United States under Article 5, or any article of the Treaty, for any purpose, unless in any particular case the Congress, which under the Constitution has the sole power to declare war or authorize the employment of the military, air or naval forces of the United States, shall, by and or joint resolution, so provide."

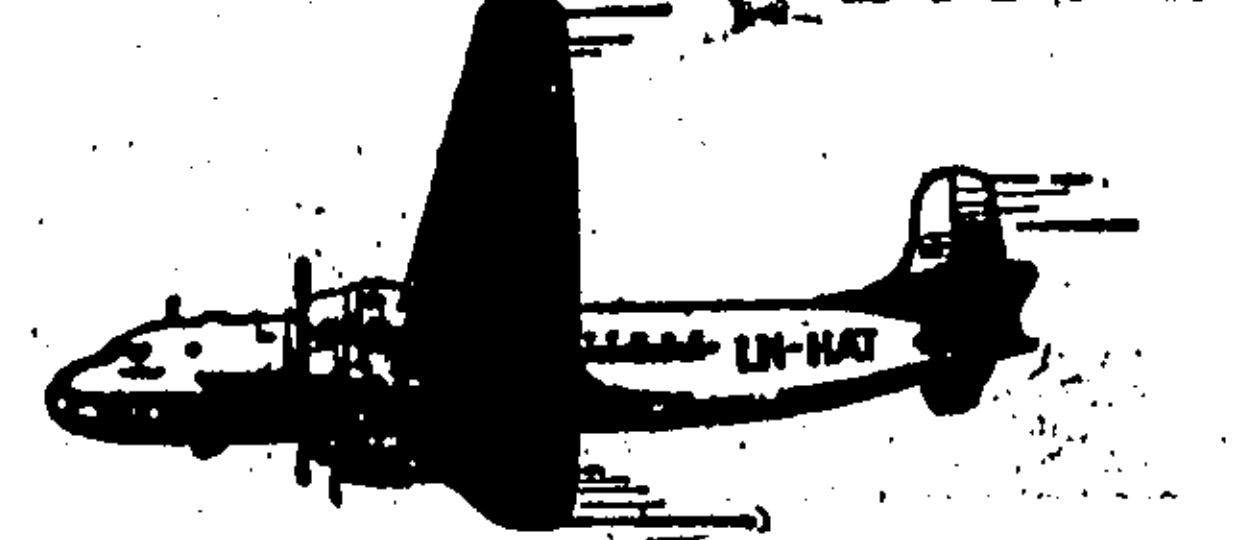
Third Reservation

The third reservation, the second submitted by Senator Watkins, was rejected by 87 votes to eight.

This reservation would have freed Congress of any obligation to declare war under the terms of the Treaty.

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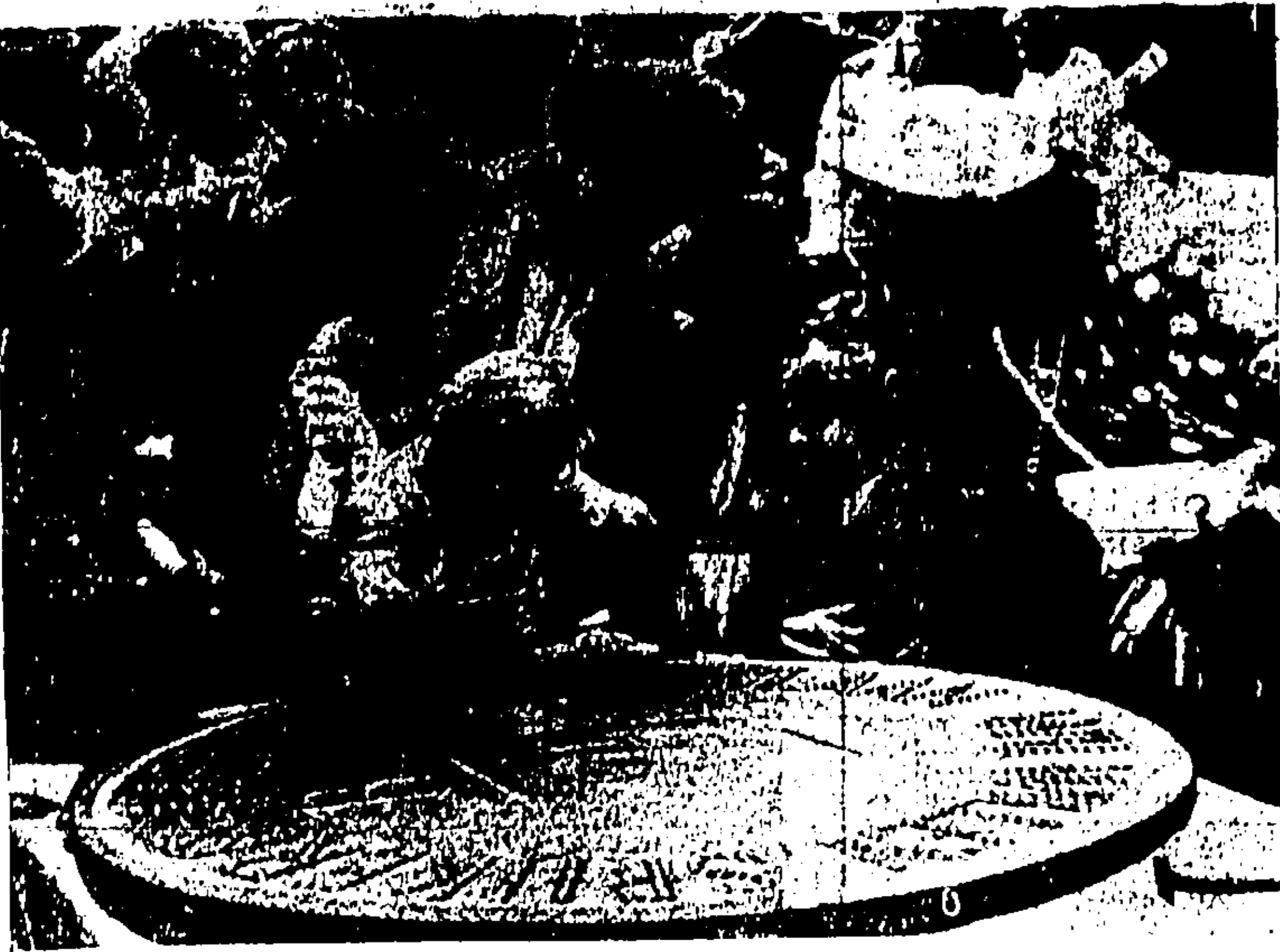
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Netherlanders held a parade at Soestdijk, Holland, recently to mark the Copper Wedding (25 years) of Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard. Photo shows, (left to right): Prince Bernhard; a nurse holding young Princess Marijke; Princess Irene; Princess Beatrix; Princess Margriet; and Queen Juliana.—AP Photo.

LORD AMMON RESIGNS GOVT POSTS; BREAK IN STRIKE POSSIBLE

London, July 21.

Lord Ammon, 76-year-old Chairman of the National Dock Labour Board who called the British Government crazy when it repudiated a Board "ultimatum" to striking London dockers, tonight agreed to resign his two Government posts.

Lord Ammon received a request from the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, that he should give up the two posts—chief Government Whip in the House of Lords and a titular post as Captain of the Gentlemen at Arms in the Royal Household.

Lord Ammon told reporters that the Prime Minister's letter said the request for his resignation had nothing to do with his post as Chairman of the Dock Labour Board, supreme advisory body for Britain's Post workers.

Lord Ammon added, "I do not believe that and I have told the Prime Minister so. I think I am popular in the House, but I am sending in my resignation I shall shed no tears."

The Prime Minister has no power to dismiss Lord Ammon from the Chairmanship of the Board, whose sudden back-to-work order to 15,000 dockers in the partly paralysed Port of London provoked a middle of the night repudiation from the Government yesterday.

The Ministry of Transport tonight claimed a substantial improvement in the position at the docks.

A statement said that only 22 ships were idle and that this number would be further reduced tomorrow. Eight days ago, 113 ships were idle. Since then 33 ships have sailed.

Under Fire

Earlier today the Government came under strong fire in Parliament over its handling of the dispute. Opposition leaders pressing for an explanation why, armed with its special emergency powers, the Government had not acted against mischief makers.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, left it to the Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, to explain.

Any British subject, the Home Secretary said, had the right to come to Britain, and he had no power to deport him under the Emergency Powers or any other Act.

That was fundamental to the position of Britain as the metropolis of the Commonwealth. It was a consideration which did not arise in the other Dominions which had never claimed to be the Mother country of the whole Commonwealth, the Home Secretary continued.

Mr. Ede said, "It is a matter for question and I am giving the closest attention to it; whether, with the development of the Commonwealth and Empire and the alterations of citizenship within that congeries of nations, powers ought not to be taken in this country."

But I am bound to point out how fundamental it would be and the alteration it would make between this country and other Commonwealth countries.

Churchill Not Satisfied

This did not satisfy the Opposition leader, Mr. Winston Churchill.

Surely, he said, citizens from other parts of the Commonwealth had to conform to the laws of the Mother Country. Could Mr. Isaacs really say that, if he had the power to deal with a Commonwealth citizen, he would not do so? Why, then, did he say that the necessary powers if a good

cause has been made," Mr. Churchill added.

Naming Mr. Harry Davies, President of the Canadian Seamen's Union as a Canadian citizen trying to stir up trouble, Mr. Isaacs said that no case for prosecution had been found.

But the men he had in mind were being carefully watched.

Meanwhile, Mr. Davies himself has issued a statement promising that he would give a mass meeting of dockers tomorrow a proposal which he believed would immediately end the dispute.

Earlier today Mr. Davies had been rebuffed by the Canadian Shipowners' representatives here when he tried to approach them with a new peace plan.

For other Canadian strike leaders had put to the executives of the two British trade unions mainly concerned in the dock stoppage. But the Canadian owners refused to see him, declaring that it would serve no useful purpose.

One hopeful sign of a break in the 24-day-old strike came today when 1,000 men at the huge West India Dock voted for a return to work. But they postponed putting their decision into effect until tomorrow's mass meeting of dockers had voted.

The stoppage stems from a refusal of the dockers to work two Canadian ships involved in the world-wide strike of the Canadian Seamen's Union.—Reuter.

Guerillas Aiding Offensive

Rangoon, July 21.

Pro-government guerillas, forging ahead of regular troops along monsoon-drenched West Burma, on Wednesday entered and took possession of Minih, the rice centre on the Bhamo-Frontier railway. Official sources reported today.

Minih is 80 miles South of the communications centre of Pyaw, which is the government's target in the West Burma anti-robber drive.

Sources said these irregulars, known as "peace guerillas" left the regular army to consolidate positions in Tharweedy and advance into enemy territory to establish communications lines.

They stated the guerillas are combining with regulars in new operational tactics whereby they hold towns are entered, then from within and then regulars follow up troops.

Associated Press.

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The Philadelphia Story

When I drove into Philadelphia the clock on the City Hall said five to 11. Actually it was a quarter past three in the afternoon.

The official I'd arranged to meet at 5 p.m. turned up at half past. When we ordered drinks the waiter took 15 minutes to get them.

I remarked on this leisurely attitude towards life, and the Philadelphia said: "Well, it's only three—there's plenty of it."

This is a snap summary of Philadelphia's outlook, mood, and manner.

It's a city of slow pace and restrained gaiety. It doesn't hurry, bustle, or rush excitedly from place to place. After New York it's as sleepy and tranquil as a village.

In some ways it's the most English of American cities. The sidewalks are called pavements; there are three cricket teams; Soccer is played in winter; many men wear homburg hats; the glaucous set side to home in hunting pink.

Houses First

Philadelphia believes in under-statement, the soft voice, the importance of tradition. It avoids giant blocks of flats whenever possible, and prefers to live in the tens of thousands of private houses which dot the handsome suburbs.

The city looks English with its narrow, dingy streets, its solid banks and insurance houses, its green squares, and its strong link with the past. American freedom was born here, and there are still reminders everywhere.

Philadelphia feels slightly out of place in the Atomic Age, and dreams with nostalgia of the dear departed days when it was the first city in the land. It's that no longer.

New York dwarfs it. Chicago has twice the size and power. Los Angeles is fast creeping up. Detroit punches its nose.

Yet Philadelphia is a good place in which to find out about America, to probe the slump and sniff the trend.

It's the Birmingham of the U.S., a sprawling city of 3,000,000 people (in the metropolitan area) and a thousand-and-odd trades.

It does business in steel, textiles, oil, shipbuilding, root beer.

radios, tyres, rugs, cigars, machine tools, precision instruments, stockings, and publishing.

Philadelphia gave the world Ice-cream, Mothers' Day, the Saturday Evening Post, and the Declaration of Independence. It feels it still has plenty to give.

Certainly it is lavish with its information. I walked into the offices of the Philadelphia Bulletin and talked to some of the staff.

All admit that the recession is down. Sales are down, employment is down, back lending is down.

Local bankers added 4,000,000 idle in the nation by the year's end. Money is drying up in the shops, even in Wanamakers, the massive department store which dominates Broad street, overshadowing the eccentric architecture of the City Hall, topped by a precarious statue of William Penn.

No Jitters

Admitting the slump, newspapermen explain, however, that by and large they haven't got Manhattan's jitters or Wall-street's blues.

Most of its contracts are long term and it is still turning out the stuff, relying on other hands and cities to sell it.

Its people are well paid, and the average weekly earnings, despite firings or maybe because of them, are above 1947's.

The city is prepared for trouble and expects to weather it far better than New York, of which it professes to be contemptuous but actually is rather jealous.

Only 50 miles away, New York has drained away from Philadelphia much of the Pennsylvania city's drive and energy and talent, and no one likes that.

But Philadelphia has plenty to be grateful for. The level of life here is much better than New York's. Rents are two-thirds of the big city's. You can even get a week for 10s., a worthwhile three-room flat for 25s. a week.

That's the surface story of Philadelphia's comparative prosperity and contentment. Digging deeper, I found a nasty mess.

I talked about "sniffing" a trend. The word is appropriate, because this is a malodorous city.

The air is tainted by two of the country's dirtiest rivers, the Schuylkill and the Delaware. The city's drinking water, chemically treated so that it tastes foul, comes from these rivers, and there is plain need for a new reservoir system.

Garbage collection is lax and lethargic and there must be more outdoor toilets here than in any British industrial town.

Philadelphia isn't a well-run city. Some Americans call it the dirtiest city in the land, for its politics are as smelly as its rivers.

For nearly a century Philadelphia has been corrupt but contented. It is reeked by machine politics and run by ward leaders.

At present there's a campaign—this must be the hundredth one—to clean up the city. A committee of 15, appointed by harassed Mayor Bernard Samuel, has been investigating local graft.

Its report, just issued, charges wholesale conspiracy, outright bribery, political interference, falsification of records, rackets and personal culpability among highly placed officials, would rock a British city, but is taken mildly here.

The New Name

It is this apathy which is Philadelphia's greatest shocker, and which infuriates visiting Americans.

At the moment about the only person Philadelphia is slightly excited about is Father Divine, the Negro who used to call himself God.

Father Divine, who moved in here some years ago, after finding New York inhospitable, now calls himself "The Great Physician." His half-dozen heavens in Philadelphia are now named "Unity Missions."

Father Divine is a great power among the city's 300,000 Negroes and among some of its whites. He has just bought the Tracy Hotel in mid-town for £50,000 and recently purchased the Lorraine Hotel for £125,000.

His "Heavens" are very moral and, I should think, rather dull places. But he has done a lot for the coloured folk, raised their standard of living, given them cheap restaurants—fried chicken for 5d.—and thrown fear into the politicians.

Night life in Philadelphia is a flickering candle compared with New York's, but is gathering brilliance. Frank Palumbo, the night club king—his Click Club is the biggest night-spot in the world, as large as an alshio hangar—is a more powerful monarch than many of Manhattan's czars.

There's not much talk of Britain in Philadelphia, little discussion of the Marshall Plan, the Atlantic Pact, or of arms for Western Europe. Philadelphia feels it has enough troubles on its hands without bothering too much about Europe's.

Footnote: The Philadelphia Story could have a tragic ending if the grafters remain as the authors.

U.S. Proposal To Atomic Body

Lake Success, July 20.

The United States today proposed that the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission should tell the General Assembly that further Commission meetings would serve no practicable or useful purpose until the Big Five Powers and Canada come to an agreement.

The United States delegate, Mr. Frederick Osborne, told the Commission that "recent debates and discussions in the Commission are not bringing us any closer" to a workable solution.

"On the contrary, these discussions only hardened the differences between the Soviet delegates," Mr. Osborne declared. "It is apparent that these differences cannot be reconciled at the Commission level."

"The Commission has a heavy responsibility to make clear to the United Nations, and to the world, just what is the nature of the situation confronting the Commission."

The United States proposal asked that the Commission report that the Soviet Union and the Ukrainian Government "continue to reject the recommendations of the Commission, approved by the General Assembly, and that the Commission, including those forms of control contained in the plan approved by the General Assembly, as constituting the necessary basis for establishing an effective system of international control of atomic energy to ensure its use only for peaceful purposes, and for the elimination from national armaments of atomic weapons in accordance with the terms of reference of the Atomic Energy Commission."

The United States proposal would also report that the Soviet Union and the Ukraine have continued to insist on a Russian proposal to "prepare independent separate the Soviet Union on the proposals of the Soviet Union of June, 1946, and 1947, which provide, among other things, for national ownership of dangerous and explosive atomic materials and for the national ownership, operation, and management of dangerous atomic facilities."

Plan Rejected

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nations, would render ineffective the prohibition of atomic weapons and would continue the dangerous national rivalries in the field of atomic energy."

The Working Committee of the Commission on June 15 approved by a vote of eight to two, a Chinese proposal reporting its inability to arrive at any agreement.

It asked that the Big Powers come to some agreement before any more Committee meetings were held.

The Soviet Union and the Ukraine opposed the Chinese resolution and protested that the Commission should continue its sessions. Egypt abstained.

At today's meeting, the Soviet Union and the Ukraine voiced their preliminary objection to the United States proposal. The Commission then adjourned and will meet on July 29.—Reuter.

No Buying Out Of Service

London, July 21.

The British Army has partly withdrawn the traditional recruiting soldier's privilege of buying his way out of the service. The War Office said today a manpower shortage in the armed forces throughout the Empire is the reason.

Soldiers who have served in the regular army less than three months or more than three years may still buy themselves out if they meet certain complicated requirements.

It costs a soldier £20 to £200 to buy his way back into private life.

The War Office said it estimated that by denying the privilege to those who have served more than three months and less than three years, enough experienced men would be kept in the service to allow the shortage.

More than 4,000 had bought their way out since the practice, banned shortly before the war, was reintroduced a year ago.—Associated Press.

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MARSHALL FEELS CERTAIN PACT TO AID WORLD PEACE

Washington, July 21. General George C. Marshall, former Secretary of State, said today that he feels certain that the Atlantic pact will contribute to world peace.

The wartime Army Chief of Staff told the United Press exclusively that he also believes that the mutual defence treaty will immeasurably strengthen the security of the United States and its 11 partners in the Atlantic area.

General Marshall discussed the pact and its implications at length in answering a series of questions submitted to him by the United Press. It was one of his most extensive discussions of world affairs since he left the State Department last January. He is at present living in retirement at his Leesburg, Virginia, home. Here are some of the questions put to General Marshall and the General's answers:

Question: Do you regard the pact's pledge to consider an attack on one signatory as an attack on all with the consequent commitment that each nation will take such steps as it deems necessary as "automatic" participation in any European war?

Answer: No. The United States can wage a war only if the Congress declares war. The treaty does not infringe on the power of the Congress in this connection nor does it alter, I think, the relationship between the authority of the Congress and of the President as defined in the Constitution.

The undertaking on the part of the United States to consider an attack on any of the Atlantic Pact nations as an attack on itself is in reality little more than formal recognition of the factors which affect its national security.

Treaty's Language

The language of the treaty makes it clear that in the event of an armed attack each nation must decide for itself measures it should take to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area and then it must take those measures.

Depending upon the nature of gravity of the attack there are numerous measures short of the use of armed force and widely varied, which might suffice to deal with the situation. Question: In what manner do you believe the pact will be beneficial to the security and national defence of the United States and of other co-signatories?

Answer: Two world conflicts which have occurred in the past 35 years have made it unmistakably clear that aggression on any of the free nations of the Atlantic community involves all of those nations.

This is an inescapable fact. There can be no doubt that emergence of a threat to one of these nations would have been the cause for some action on the part of the United States in order to deal with the situation. Our national security would appear to dictate such action in my opinion.

The time has long since passed when this country could defend itself adequately by waiting until an attack physically reached its shore. In the world of today we know that an all-out armed attack anywhere in the North Atlantic area by any major power would in fact be aimed at the United States.

The time and place to meet such aggression is not after it has reached our coast but whenever and wherever it begins. If we make it reasonably clear in advance that we will deal adequately with such an attack wherever it occurs there is, in my opinion, good reason to believe that we will halt it before it starts.

By joining together in the North Atlantic pact the 12 nations have served notice that they will react immediately and in concert if any one of them is attacked.

Thus the security and national defence of any one of the nations is immeasurably enhanced in that 11 like-minded nations will come to its aid if it is attacked. If this determination to react is made clear in advance the chances of such an attack are remote.

To Aid World Peace

Question: Do you believe that the pact will contribute to world peace by deterring any would-be aggressor, or is there likelihood that it will be regarded as a threatening gesture toward the encirclement of a non-participating nation?

Answer: I feel certain that the

Atlantic pact will contribute to world peace. The fact that the aggressor would be confronted by combined efforts of those 12 nations, should he consider attacking any one of them, should exert a powerful deterrent effect. There should be no doubt in his mind as to the outcome of any conflict he might start by committing an act of deliberate aggression. The purpose of the pact is peace. It is not directed against any nation or any people but only against aggression.

However, there already is strong Congressional opposition to the arms programme and a still fight is expected. Chances of its approval during this session appear slim.

The President's message is reported to stress that in voting against non-Communist nations, the United States will be protecting itself and the rest of the world from the danger of another war. The executive will urge Congress not to expect financial returns for U.S. arms but instead must be measured in terms of American security and world peace.

The State and Defence Departments, which drafted the arms plan, are prepared to rush it into action. They plan to get 60 per cent of the projected arms shipments to nations covered within one year, largely by heavy transfers of American reserve arms and repaired surplus equipment.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff already have approved shipment of reserve arms. Funds supplied by Congress would be used to replace this equipment. A new provision would let the Defence Department help nations which are not members of the Atlantic Pact to obtain weapons in this country.

The Defence Department could place total arms contracts for such nations—if their security is considered important to the U.S.—up to \$100,000,000. The countries would pay for the equipment themselves.

Standardisation

This programme calls for centralised buying by the Defence Department, speedier deliveries and standardisation of arms, by nations involved, with those of the U.S. Countries which might come in under this clause are Canada, the Latin American nations, and Pakistan.

The House had planned to resume until Monday, but leaders called a session for tomorrow to receive the President's message. The chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Representative John Kee, announced that hearings would begin immediately—presumably on Monday.

It will be the House's first chance to act on the pact-arms issue and there have been a few predictions on what members will do.

The Senate, which approved the pact today, already has received threats of bitter opposition to the programme, particularly if it comes up for action this year. Economy-minded Democrats, as well as Republicans, have indicated reluctance to go along with the arms plan.

Voting against ratification in the final showdown were two Democrats—Edwin Johnson and Glen Taylor, and 11 Republicans, including Senators James Kern, Flanders, William Jenner, Forrest Donnell and William Langer.

The reservations stirred up the bitterest floor fight of the long debate on the treaty but the far-reaching document swept through exactly as it was signed here on April 4.

Immediately after the final vote, the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said the Senate's action makes clear to the world the determination of the American people to do their full part in maintaining peace and freedom.

He noted that the Senate endorsed the treaty after three weeks of searching debate and said: "I am sure that not only the Senate, but the American people as a whole, fully understand the treaty and its implications for world peace."

Senator Tom Connally said he was gratified by the overwhelming vote. He added: "It is my firm conviction this treaty will contribute to the peace of the world."

While the Democratic ranks remained nearly solid throughout the voting, Republican leadership was split down the middle. Voting for the treaty were 50 Democrats and 32 Republicans.—United Press.

Japan's Discharge Programme Ends

Tokyo, July 22.

Japan's controversial railway personnel discharge programme has been completed, it was announced today, with more than 94,000 railway workers having been fired.

The National Railway Corporation said about three per cent of those receiving their "pink slips" had rejected them in the discharge plan which was started last month as part of a broad programme to trim government expenditures.

A SCAP official said the programme cut reduces the number of men at present employed on the government owned railways to some 500,000.

Figures on the number of men working before the discharge programme began, the number fired and the number remaining on the job have been varied and confusing.

Men Resign

The Railway Corporation for instance, said 422,000 men working when the discharge plan became operative. Some men were fired resigned before they were handed their discharge notices.

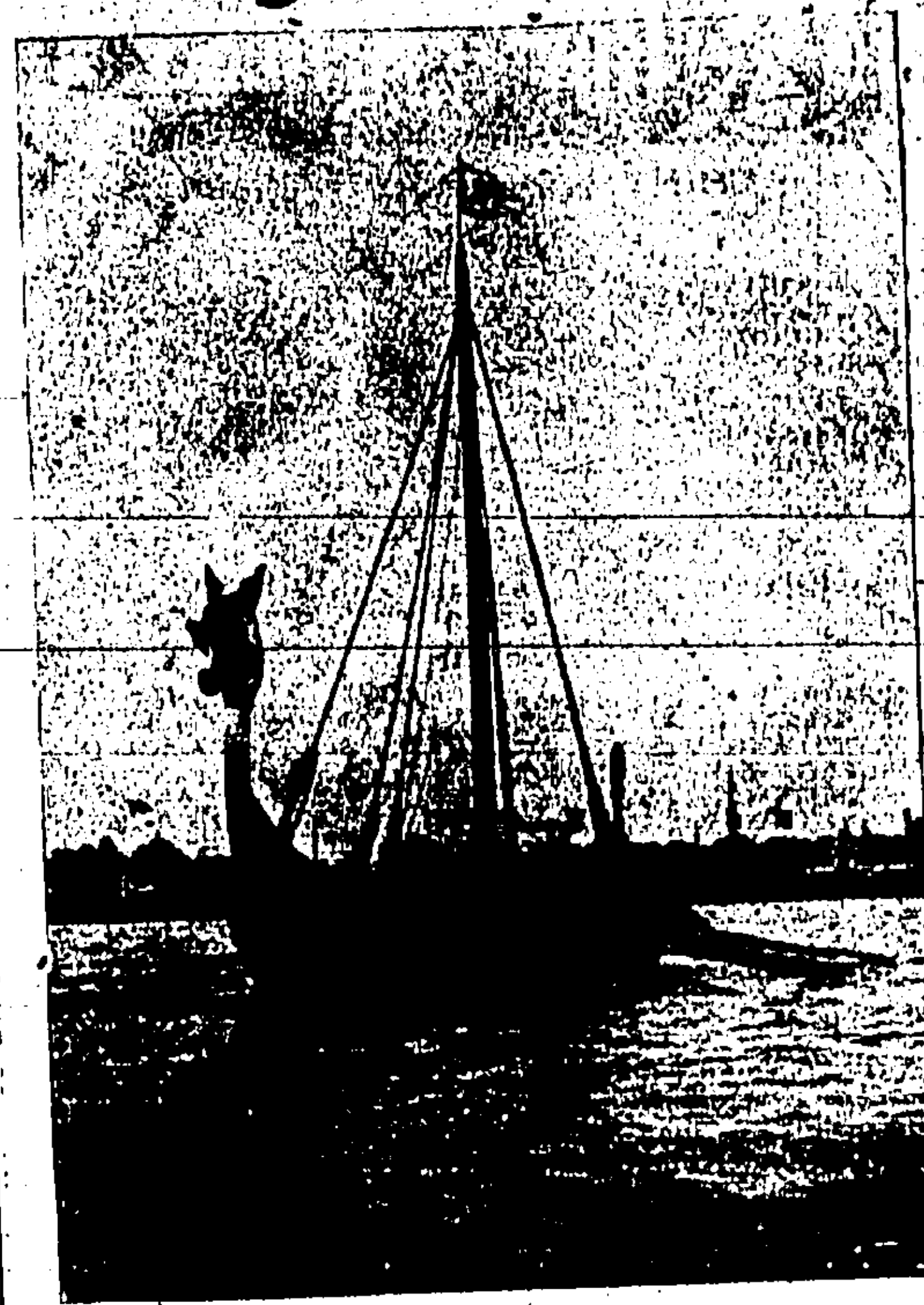
After a flurry of violent reaction to the discharges, a tense

quiet has settled along the railway front. The railway included the mystery death of the Japan Railway Corporation President Sandanori Shimoyama, and the release of an empty train, which hurtled into a station compound, killing six people.

SCAP officials said sporadic sabotage attempts on the railways were continuing. They seem to be the work of individuals rather than a planned programme. Paper covered stones are placed on tracks, rocks are hurled at passenger trains.

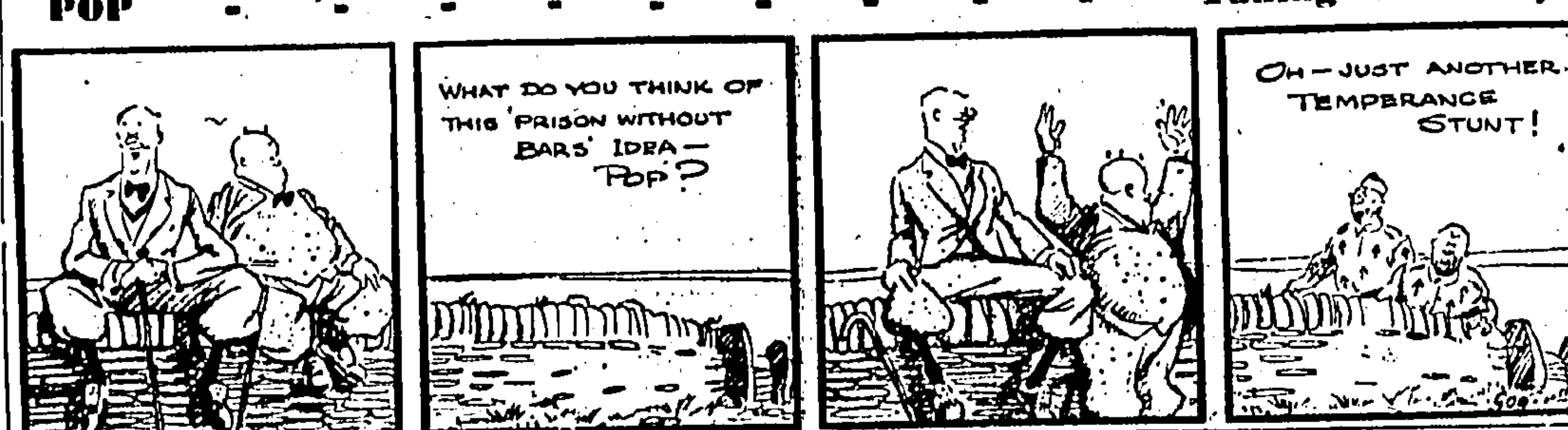
A passenger train on Kyushu was reported to have run over an "incendiary bomb" earlier this week. The "bomb" probably was a bag of powder spiced with a dynamite cap. The train was not damaged and no passengers were injured.—Associated Press.

Vikings Sail Again



A Danish reconstruction of an old-time Viking ship is to sail shortly for England to re-enact the first Viking invasion 1500 years ago. Photo shows the Viking ship "Hugin" being rowed across the rough waters of the Isord during its trial cruise after being launched at Frederikssund.—AP Photo.

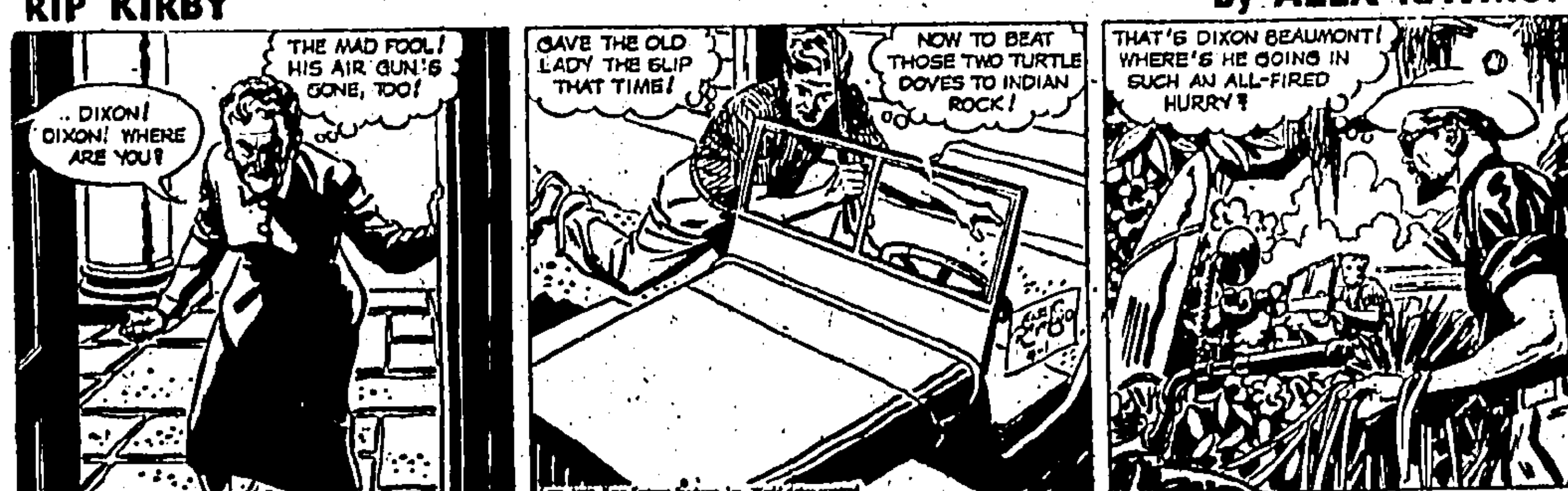
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

U.S. Drive To Cut Rubber Prices Dangerous Policy

London, July 21.

Americans driving to cut Malayan rubber prices were accused here tonight by Mr. F. D. Ascoli, Dunlop rubber chief, of following an ill-informed and dangerous policy which was against United States foreign policy and helping Communism in South East Asia.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, July 22. The largest decline in three weeks interrupted the stock market's summer rally on Thursday.

Losses ranged from fractions to around a point. Profit-taking combined with investment and speculative timidity were held mainly responsible for the downward trend.

Transfers were 700,000 shares. Among standbys were National Steel, Douglas Aircraft, Northern Pacific, Gulf Oil, Phelps Dodge, Allied Chemical.

Gainers included United Aircraft, American Woolen, United Airlines, Benquet Consolidated, American Airlines, United Gas.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 62.06; 20 Industrials 174.59; 15 Bonds 44.57; 10 Utilities 35.44.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 10
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Bonds weakened. Among curb standbys were Barium Steel, Cities Service, Derby Oil—Associated Press.

Money Market

US dollars fluctuated between HK\$6.28 and \$6.38 yesterday, opening at the former figure, and closing at \$6.33.

TT was put through between HK\$6.30 and \$6.36.

Sterling was firmer at HK\$16.70, while Australian pounds were weaker at HK\$13.70.

Piastres were again quoted nominal at HK\$12.90 a 100.

Ticals were unchanged at HK\$26.30 a 100.

NEI Guilders were lower at HK\$34.80 a 100.

"Combating Communism" Mr. Ascoli told Reuter, "is far more important than a suicidal fight between natural and synthetic rubber."

"And believe me, unless 10,000,000 Malayan Chinese, Indian, Indo-Chinese and Indonesians in South East Asia dependent on rubber can be kept in a state of reasonable prosperity, nothing can prevent a victory for Communism and the collapse of Western democratic ideals on the other side of the world."

Aged 65, six-foot tall, broad shouldered with rugged features and iron-grey hair, Mr. Ascoli is Managing-Director of the Dunlop Plantations Limited, which holds 60,000 acres of rubber plantations, the largest area under one management in the British Empire.

The parent company, the Dunlop Rubber Company, employs a capital of £60,000,000 and manufactures in 13 different countries.

Mr. Ascoli, who recently toured Malaya, has already warned the British Commonwealth that if Malaya became Communist, Australia and New Zealand would not be worth a snap of the fingers.

He has also told the British people: "If the Iron Curtain falls on Malayan rubber, it means one meal less a day for you."

Tonight, he said that Americans admitted with some reluctance that there had been a three-fold increase in the cost of production of Malayan rubber. When then, he asked, did they consider the price too high?

A claim that the output of synthetic rubber was restricted by law in the United States was entirely wrong, he declared.

"The law," Mr. Ascoli said, "insists on a minimum, not a maximum, usage of synthetic rubber. The minimum laid down is approximately 25 per cent of the total usage. Usage in 1948 was 40 per cent synthetic and 60 per cent natural."

"The present price of standard synthetic rubber is 18-1/2 cents per pound. The price of natural rubber is 16-1/2 cents. It is admitted that for many purposes—lorry tyre and aeroplane tyre, foam rubber and so on—the synthetic substitute cannot be used."

"Claim and facts are generally inconsistent, but they are at present being pressed with a heat that is scorching the advertising columns of the American press. This heat does not, however, alter the fact that 60 per cent of American consumption last year and this year to

World Shortage Of Whisky

Montreal, July 21.

Mr. Lyleston Anderson, a Scotch distiller, said that a world shortage of Scotch whisky can be expected in the next year or two.

The chairman of the Lyle's firm of V. G. Thompson and Company, said in an interview that Scotland's whisky production dropped from 20,000,000 gallons in 1939 to 3,000,000 in 1942.

In 1943-44 there was no production. He said that although the industry is now working towards its 1939 output, there would be a definite shortage in the next couple of years because it takes seven years to age Scotch.

Mr. Anderson is returning to Scotland after a business trip in Canada—Associated Press.

Anxiety Over British Business In China

London, July 21.

The position of British business in China was causing considerable anxiety, Mr. Hector McNeil, British Minister of State, said in the House of Commons tonight in the course of winding up a debate on foreign affairs.

Mr. McNeil said that British efforts to make contact with the Communist authorities in China had not been entirely successful.

"Quite plainly," he declared, "there is no Communist authority for all China or even the parts they represent. We have not even had a formal request for recognition, not that we could accede to it in these conditions."

He continued, "Rejection of our attempts to effect a working relationship tends to contribute to a stagnation of trade. The position of British business in China is causing considerable anxiety. So long as no working arrangement is accepted by the Chinese Communists, distress and dislocation will continue to be visited on all sections of the Chinese people."

Mr. McNeil also spoke about South East Asia.

Not Gloomy

He said that this area did not present an altogether gloomy picture.

"In all parts of that area we are still making systematic attempts by the Communists to

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

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NEW ZEALAND SOCCER TEAM MAY VISIT HK

The appointment of a Press Committee was decided upon by the new Council of the Hong Kong Football Association when it met for the first time last night.

It will be the duty of members of this Committee to meet the Press once a week and to give information, which can be accepted as authentic, on football topics and to answer any questions which might be asked on matters pertaining to football.

The meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Jack Skinner as Chairman, also decided upon the calling of an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association on August 2, for the purpose of amending the Rules of the Association so as to provide for the employment of a paid full-time Secretary in lieu of an Honorary Secretary.

A letter from Mr. L. F. de Souza, former Hon. Secretary of the Association, relinquishing his

appointment owing to pressure of work, was read to the meeting.

It was unanimously decided to send a letter to Mr. Souza, thanking him for his invaluable services to the Association.

It was also agreed that a letter be sent to Mr. Wong Koon-tsun, who returned from the Chairmanship of the Council at the Annual General Meeting, expressing the thanks of the Association for his services to the Association and hard work in the interests of football.

Mr. Skinner also read to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the New Zealand Football Association on the subject of a visit to Hong Kong by a New Zealand soccer team towards the end of the year.

In addition to playing here, the New Zealand team would also participate in games in Malaya and the Philippines.

Mr. Skinner emphasized that it was not the intention of the New Zealand Football Association to make money out of the tour. The main idea was to give the players an opportunity of gaining experience.

After some discussion, it was decided to appoint a Committee comprising Mr. Jack Skinner, Mr. M. C. Ling and Major J. Barrett to consider the matter more thoroughly.

This Committee was also authorized to deal with an application from the Singapore Football Association for a series of games here in September next.

School Football

The question of School Football came before the meeting. Mr. Skinner stressed the fact that School Football would play an important role in the future of Hong Kong football and said that the schoolboys should be given every encouragement and assistance.

He said that the Association could help by arranging grounds, appointing referees and delegating certain of its members to attend matches, speak to the boys and supply them with literature on the subject of football.

This matter was also discussed at length and it was eventually decided to appoint Mr. J. C. Guingam, Captain H. J. Chinnal and Mr. Lo Che-ling to co-operate with Mr. Colin McKewan of the Education Department in the running of the School League.

The meeting agreed to waive the affiliation fee payable by Schools.

The subject of medical expenses incurred by injured players was brought up by Mr. Skinner. Following discussion on the question, a Committee comprising Mr. L. G. Young, Major Barrett and Mr. Mok Hing was appointed to handle the problem and to forward its recommendations to the Council.

New Club

The applications of four new Clubs for affiliation, the 3 Cdo. Bde. RM. (First Division), Hong Kong, Kowloon Newspaper, Venkora Association, Royal Naval Yard Police and Prison Officers Club (Second Division) were considered and accepted by the Council.

Messrs. Percy Smith & Co. were re-appointed Treasurers of the Association.

The election of officials resulted as follows:

Appeals Board: Sir Arthur Moore (Chairman), Mr. J. C. Guingam, and Colonel H. T. Alexander.

Grounds Committee: Mr. J. C. Guingam (Chairman), Mr. Lo G. Hing, Mr. M. A. Cheng and Mr. J. F. Zehls.

Referees' Sub-Committee: Mr. L. G. Young (Chairman), Mr. K. K. Ip and Mr. So Po-wai.

Disciplinary Sub-Committee: Mr. Mok Ying-kwai (Chairman), Inspector J. Harris and Major J. Barrett.

League Management Committee: Messrs. J. C. Guingam, L. G. Young, Mok Ying-kwai, Mok Hing, Mr. Man-ai, J. F. Zehls and Captain H. J. Chinnal.

The meeting decided that the Stanley Shield Cup should be played on September 17, 18, 24 and 25.

The Hong Kong Football Association 1949/1950 was fixed to commence on October 1.

Williams Retains His Title

Los Angeles, July 22. Lightweight champion Ike Williams retained his title last night when he scored a fourth round technical knockout over Enrique Bolanos of Mexico City before an estimated 17,000 fans.

Before Jack Dempsey stopped the fight two minutes and 40 seconds after the fourth round began.

Williams tore into the Mexican challenger, who was making his third try for Ike's title, and dropped him twice to the canvas. Bolanos' left eye had been completely shut in the third round and he could not stand up under the champion's dynamic liden fists.

Bolanos' manager and seconds were in the ring calling for a halt almost as soon as Dempsey was stopping the proceedings. Williams, looking nothing like the listless fighter who got a split decision over Bolanos in this same ring last year, started out to make a quick kill.

Holds Offensive

At the opening bell he took the offensive and it throughout the brief encounter.

He signalled an early end in the third when his murderous short right shut Enrique's left eye. Bolanos came out for the fourth and tried to make a last stand, hoping to land a lucky punch.

For the first minute of the fourth he jabbed and hooked Williams practically on even terms. Williams was never hurt, however.

Midway in the fatal round Williams dropped Bolanos with a right and Bolanos dropped down on both knees. He was up at the count of nine, his nose spouting blood.

Williams closed in relentlessly and a barrage of punches to the head sent the gallant Mexican down again. Bolanos started to count, and as Bolanos' handlers flooded into the ring he stopped the match to save the challenger from further damage. Associated Press.

CZECHS WANT TO KNOW WHY BRITAIN NOT SENDING TEAM

Prague, July 21. Sokol, the Czechoslovak National Sports organization, is asking the Amateur Athletic Association (Britain) to explain the reason why Britain will not send a team to meet Czechoslovakia here in September.

Announcing this, Sokol said that the cancellation "seriously disturbs our fixed programme, made after agreement with the British Association."

The AAA informed Sokol that they would not send a team to Prague in a cable reading: "Regret that in present circumstances Great Britain will not compete in Prague this year." Reuter.

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Benefit Match For Children Of Chinese Players

In a statement to the Press yesterday, Mr. Aw Ho, who had intended to form a "Football Players Welfare Association" with the object of helping the children of Chinese soccer players, said that there had apparently been some misunderstanding as to his motives in proposing the formation of such an Association.

In order to prove that he had no ulterior motive in suggesting the formation of a "Football Players Welfare Association", Mr. Aw Ho said that he would not proceed with the scheme as originally intended.

He had now decided to wait until all Chinese Clubs had registered their players with the Hong Kong Football Association and the 1949/1950 soccer season had commenced, when he would apply to the HKFA to arrange, annually, a Charity soccer match for the benefit of children of Chinese soccer players.

In the event of the HKFA agreeing to arrange these annual Charity matches, arrangements should be made for all gate money received to be paid into a trust fund to be administered by responsible citizens of the Colony.

Fausto Coppi Holds Lead In Tour De France

Paris, July 21. Fausto Coppi, of Italy, held on to the overall lead in the Tour de France cycle race although failing to finish among the first six today when the 18th stage between Aosta (Italy) and Lausanne (Switzerland) was decided.

The winner of this 265-kilometre "leg," which included mountain climbs up the Great St. Bernard and the Moises, other Italian, Vincenzo Rossello, in nine hours, five minutes and 26 seconds.

Bruno Pasquini, of Italy, returned the same time but was placed second. Third came Georges Achermann, of Switzerland, in nine hours, 11 minutes and three seconds.

The leaders in the general classification are: (1) Fausto Coppi (Italy)—120 hours, nine minutes and 36 seconds; (2) Gino Bartali (Italy)—120 hours, nine minutes and 36 seconds; (3) Jacques Marinelli (France)—126 hours, 19 minutes and 13 seconds.

The Swiss champion, Ferdinand Kubler, who has been unwell for several days, fell from his machine unconscious during the race.

French newspapermen covering the race claimed today that when they entered Italy yesterday, the riders, with the exception of the Italians and those with Italian-sounding names, were greeted with "insults, stones, mud and other indignities."

As a result, the French press suggested today that in future the Tour should be restricted to French territory only with no overlaps into foreign countries. Reuter.

CLUB DE RECREIO OFFICIALS

At a recent meeting of the Club de Recreio, presided by Mr. A. M. Prata, Sports Convenor of the Club, the following were elected to serve for the current year:

Badminton Sub-Committee: Messrs. F. X. Alves, H. J. Xavier, and M. A. Oliveira.

Criket: First Team—Mr. A. M. Prata (Captain), Dr. A. M. Rodrigues (Vice-Captain), and Mr. A. P. Pereira Jr. (Secretary). Second Team—Mr. A. E. Noronha (Captain), Mr. E. A. R. Alves (Vice-Captain), and Mr. D. M. Rodrigues (Secretary).

Hockey Sub-Committee: Messrs. W. A. Read (Captain), C. A. Gutierrez and A. J. Nery.

Tennis Sub-Committee: Messrs. J. A. Marques, A. E. Noronha and D. M. Rodrigues.

Yankees Increase First Place Lead

New York, July 22.

Vic Raschi won his 15th pitching victory and Joe DiMaggio batted in his 26th and 26th runs in 21 games as the New York Yankees defeated the Cleveland Indians 5-3 in the American League today and increased their first place lead over the runner-up Indians to 5½ games.

The Indians took a 2-0 lead in the second inning, but pitcher Early Wynn failed to hold the advantage. He was batted out in the eighth and charged with his second defeat.

The Detroit Tigers slammed out 14 hits, seven for extra bases, to beat the Washington Senators 6-3.

Draw For Bowls Open Rinks, Pairs

The draws for the quarter-finals of the Colony Open Lawn Bowls Rinks and the third round of the Colony Open Pairs championships were made yesterday.

The Open pairs will start on Tuesday, August 2, at 5.15 p.m. and the open rinks on Sunday August 7 at 4 p.m.

In the Open Rinks, the rink under the leadership of U. M. Omar has drawn against L. Sykes and his men. Last year Omar beat Sykes in the final.

Open Pairs

Tuesday, August 2

AT HKFC

J. Bradley and J. S. Landolt vs. W. Hong Sling and A. M. Omar.

AT CCC

M. B. Hassan and U. A. Rumjahn vs. J. Fraser and A. J. Hall.

K. M. Rumjahn and S. M. Rumjahn vs. G. A. Noronha and C. P. Basto.

AT KCC

A. Bailey and F. A. Plume vs. G. A. Gutierrez and J. E. Noronha.

L. A. Collyer and L. Sykes vs. R. F. Luz and J. A. Luz.

Wednesday, August 3

AT CCC

W. G. McKie and J. Kinniburgh vs. J. A. R. Selby and E. I. Bickford.

AT HKFC

K. M. Omar and U. M. Omar vs. L. C. Souza and G. A. Souza.

Thursday, August 4

AT HKFC

H. F. Shields and W. Williams vs. W. Butterworth and F. E. Skinner.

Open Rinks

August 7

AT KBGC

A. P. Pereira, J. H. Xavier, J. C. Remedios and C. C. Pereira vs. G. A. Gutierrez, A. F. Noronha, L. A. Collyer and L. Sykes.

E. V. Alves, A. V. Lopes, E. R. Rossetto and C. R. Rossetto vs. L. C. Souza, J. W. Leonard, A. E. Contes and B. W. Bradbury.

AT KCC

J. G. Meyer, S. H. Strange, J. Fraser and J. McKelvie vs. B. P. Marques, F. X. Soares, R. F. Lyz and J. A. Luz.

AT HKFC

I. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar vs. A. E. Atkins, G. E. Thompson, A. J. Hall and L. Sykes.

Changes In U.S. Swimming Stars' Lineup

Manila press reports reaching the Colony indicate that some of the swimmers in the touring American Olympic Swimming Team, may not come here for the exhibition, which is planned for August 2 and 3.

The Manila Bulletin reported that Brenda Helsler, who is at present in Paris, will not be going to Manila. The reason given was that Miss Helsler has been advised by her physician to lay off swimming for a year.

The report further stated that Nora Stone, East Coast and Florida diving champ will replace her.

The 15-year-old diving wonder Marley Shapiro, was also reported as not arriving at Manila. Miss Shapiro has been committed to take part in some sectional tournaments in the United States. It was learned that Shapiro will be in Houston, Moore, California, who is reported to be a better diver than Miss Shapiro.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	R	H	E
New York	5	10	0
Cleveland	3	8	2
Winning pitcher: Vic Raschi, loser: Early Wynn.			
Washington	3	8	0
Detroit	0	14	0
Winning pitcher: Fred Hutchinson, loser: Nat Scarborough.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	R	H	E
Cincinnati	5	10	3
New York	9	8	0
Winning pitcher: Kirby Higbe, loser: Hermant Wehmeier.			
St. Louis	3	10	2
Boston	1	5	2
Winning pitcher: Harry Breechen, loser: Johnny Antonelli.			
Pittsburgh	7	9	2
Brooklyn	7	9	2
Winning pitcher: Erv Palica, loser: Bill Werle.			
Chicago	4	7	0
Philadelphia	3	8	2
Winning pitcher: Hank Borowy, loser: Walt Dubiel.			

—Associated Press.

ALEC TIBBLE LEADS IN 2,000 GUINEAS GOLF TOURNEY

Harrrogate, Yorks, July 21. A brilliant 68 for a two rounds total of 139 gave 32-year-old Alec Tibbles of Drayton Park, near Birmingham, a single stroke lead over the field at the halfway stage of the North British Harrrogate 2,000 Guineas golf tournament at Pannal here today.

Tibbles led 48 qualifiers with scores of 161 or better for a two rounds total of 324. He was followed by eight strokes behind Tibbles in the British Open champion, Bobby Locke (South Africa), who finished a struggling round of 74 in a storm of rain and was, on his own admission, hitting far too many bad shots.

Locke's sole relief from a depressing round, which shocked a host of spectators, was a seven-yard putt for a birdie late in the day. This brought a broad smile to displace the heavy gloom of his expression.

Tibbles holds a one-stroke lead over George Johnson, of Sherwood Forest, a 16½ stone professional, striving for a place in the British Ryder Cup team shot a 69 for an aggregate of 140.

Sharing third place on the 741 mark are the British International, Max Faulkner, and Frank Jarvis, Reuter.

HOGAN NOT TO COMPLETE IN RYDER CUP

Fort Worth, Texas, July 21. Ben Hogan will not play today in the Ryder Cup matches between the United States and Great Britain at the Bellerive Hotel here. Hogan, who will have a sore throat, has been advised by his physician to lay off golf for a year.

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TENNIS RESULTS

Three games of mixed doubles "B" Division was played off yesterday.

At the Hong Kong University sportsground yesterday, the visiting team, Chinese Recreation Club beat the home team by 7½-1½.

Results were:
N. Lo and Miss R. Lo (HKU): drew with C. Kotwall and Miss Choy Wai-woon 6-0, beat Li Yue-wing and Mrs. Mok Woon-king 7-5, lost to Lai Kwong-chun and Mrs. Helen Lau 3-0.
D. Lo and Miss V. Lo lost to C. Kotwall and Miss Choy Wai-woon 3-0, lost to Li Yue-wing and Mrs. Mok Woon-king 2-0, lost to Lai Kwong-chun and Mrs. Helen Lau 1-0.
C. H. Ip and Miss V. L. Beeching lost to C. Kotwall and Miss Choy Wai-woon 3-0, lost to Li Yue-wing and Mrs. Mok Woon-king 2-0, lost to Lai Kwong-chun and Mrs. Helen Lau 1-0.

LRC WIN

The Ladies' Recreation Club beat the USC yesterday by 8-1. The game was played at the LRC.

Results were:
Mrs. Campbell and Ouwehamb (LRC): lost to Mrs. Halls and Dinnen 2-0, beat Mrs. Easterbrook and Bonbard 7-5, beat Mrs. Christiansen and L. Moyes 6-3.

Mrs. Gelfe and Rompen beat Mrs. Halls and Dinnen 6-3, beat Mrs. Easterbrook and Bonbard 6-4, beat Mrs. Christiansen and L. Moyes 6-2.

Mrs. Robinson and Bonnard beat Mrs. Halls and Dinnen 6-3, beat Mrs. Easterbrook and Bonbard 6-4, beat Mrs. Christiansen and L. Moyes 7-5.

CRC BEAT KCC

Played at Craggower Recreation Club, Happy Valley, yesterday, the home team beat Kowloon Cricket Club by 8½-½.

Results were:
Mrs. Chu and D. Leonard (CCC): beat A. P. Guest and Mrs. Heizerling 6-3, beat J. Barrow and Miss Lambert-Baker 6-2, beat W. Fun and Mrs. Lawes 8-0.

Robert Tay and Miss Fowler beat A. P. Guest and Mrs. Heizerling 6-4, beat J. Barrow and Miss Lambert-Baker 6-4, beat W. Fun and Mrs. Lawes 4-3.

HK Link With BAAB Proposed

A plan by Captain H. J. Chinnal, Army Sports Officer, for the formation of a Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association, which will be affiliated to the British Amateur Athletic Board, has been favourably received by that Board.

If the proposed plan materialises, there is every prospect that the standard of athletics in this Colony, which is not very high at the moment, will show a vast improvement.

Captain Chinnal is circulating different Clubs and Associations regarding the matter and all who are interested in the formation of an Association should get in touch with him. He is requested to contact Captain Chinnal at Headquarters, Land Forces.

Captain Chinnal feels that with an Association of the type which he has in mind, it will be possible to provide proper coaching to youngsters, particularly schoolboys, and to arrange meetings between the different schools.

At the moment, there is no organisation which is devoted entirely to the fostering of athletics and events which are contested are on a whole, conducted by individual Clubs.

In a letter addressed to Captain Chinnal, Mr. Jack C. B. Crump, Hon. Secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, to which the majority of Commonwealth Clubs and Associations are affiliated, states that the BAAB would be glad to receive an application for affiliation from a Hong Kong Association.

ACKNOWLEDGED DONATIONS

The following are the latest donations received by the Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association:

Somerset's Heavy Defeat By Derbyshire.

London, July 21.

Derbyshire, who in 1947 beat Somerset in one day, inflicted another heavy defeat on them yesterday, winning by an innings and 186 runs. The pace of W. Copson, who took five for 34, and Cliff Gladwin, four for 21, in the first innings, and of England's new choice, Leslie Jackson, with six for 43 in the second, overwhelmed the Somerset batsmen, who were dismissed twice in four and a quarter hours.

Sixteen of their wickets fell today in three and a half hours for 161 runs and in neither innings did they recover from a disastrous start.

When the day's play began, Somerset faced so badly against Copson and Gladwin that they lost their remaining six first innings wickets for 31 runs in just over an hour and the innings closed for 63.

Jackson was the main agent of Somerset's second collapse, putting a great deal of zest into his out-swingers. He took six wickets for 43 in 17½ overs. Copson, whose due for 34 in the first innings was his best figures of the season, helped Jackson by taking three for 130.

The Derbyshire pace men have seldom been in better form. The pitch did not give them much help, but Somerset's batting was badly below standard. Many of the batsmen gave up their wickets by flashing needlessly at balls wide of the stumps.

Leslie Todd and Arthur Fagg put in 240 runs in an unbroken stand in three hours and 20 minutes for Kent. This beats Kent's previous best stand of the season and this is the first time this season that Fagg and Todd have reached three figures for a Test match. Todd was in brilliant form, scoring cutting and driving with delightful ease.

The 200 for the stand took two hours and 50 minutes. Fagg was missed twice, completed his century—his third this season—five minutes later, while Todd led the partnership for their long association, and broke the 230 they made against Northamptonshire last season.

The close of play scores were: At Taunton: Derbyshire beat Somerset by an innings and 186 runs. Derbyshire 397; Somerset 153 (Copson 5 for 34, Gladwin 4 for 21) and 130 (Jackson 6 for 43, Copson 3 for 14). At Dorchester: Lancashire beat Dorsetshire by 158 runs. Lancashire 224 and 218 for 7 declared (Ikin 80, Creese 5 for 73); Dorset 125 and 59 (Greenwood 7 for 32, Berry 3 for 0).

At Taunton: Yorkshire drew with the Army. Yorkshire 234 for 0 declared and 42 for 1; The Army 151 (Wardle 5 for 41).

At Solihull: Worcestershire beat Devon by 6 wickets. Devon 165 and 168 (Jackson 5 for 47); Worcestershire 217 for 9 declared and 42 for 4.

At Gloucester: Warwickshire 400 for 0 declared and 34 for 0; Gloucestershire 288 (Crapp 102, Hollies 5 for 101).

At Maidstone: Kent 224 and 240 for none (Todd 113 not out, Page 118 not out); Leicestershire 316 (Brentice 64, Symington 55 not out, Wright 5 for 112).

At Exeter: Essex 289 and 82; Ray Smith 87, Harvey 6 for 91; Nottinghamshire 159 for 4 (Simpson 51 not out, Poole 50 not out).—Reuter.

Apprentice Sentenced For Theft